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SHORTWAVE AIRINGS of WORLD OF RADIO 1841, September 1-7, 2016

Thu 1130	WRMI	9955
Thu 2100	WRMI	13695 [confirmed]
Thu 2330	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB [confirmed]
Fri 0830	Unique	3210
Fri 2130	WRMI	13695 [confirmed]
Fri 2330	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB [confirmed]
Sat 0630	HLR	6190-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 0700	Unique	3210
Sat 1400	Unique	3210
Sat 1430	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 1930v	WA0RCR	1860-AM
Sat 2230	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB [not on air]
Sun 0310v	WA0RCR	1860-AM [confirmed from 0323]
Sun 0830	Unique	3210
Sun 2330	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB [confirmed]
Mon 0030	WRMI	7730 [confirmed]
Mon 0300v	WBCQ	5130v-AM Area 51 [confirmed]
Mon 0330	WRMI	9955 [confirmed]
Mon 2330	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB
Tue 1100	WRMI	9955

Tue 2130	WRMI	15770 [we hope, after pre-empted 3 weeks]
Tue 2330	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB
Wed 1315	WRMI	9955
Wed 2100	WBCQ	7490v
Wed 2330	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB

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Tnx to Dr Harald Gabler and the Rhein-Main Radio Club.
http://www.rmrc.de/index.php/rmrc-audio-plattform/podcast/glenn-hauser-wor

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them too complex, minutely researched, multi-frequency, opinionated,
inconsequential, off-topic, or lengthy for some log editors to
manage; and also ahead of their availability in these weekly issues:
http://www.hard-core-dx.com/index.php?topic=Hauser

NOTE: I have *resolved* to make DXLD leaner, more selective, as I
seriously need to reduce my workload, much of which has been merely
editing gobs of material into presentable form. This makes it even
more important to be a member of the DXLD yg for additional material
which may not make it into weekly issues (gh)

DXLD YAHOOGROUP: Why wait for DXLD? A lot more info, not all of it

appearing in DXLD later, is posted at our yg without delay.

When applying, please identify yourself with your real name and location, and say something about why you want to join. Those who do not, unless I recognize them, will be prompted once to do so and no action will be taken otherwise. Here`s where to sign up: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dxld/

** ALASKA. Visit to HAARP, AREA 49, Gakona Alaska --- Um colega postou no Reddit amateurradio sua visita ao HAARP (instalaÁ„o que para os que acreditam em teorias da conspiraÁ„o cria terremotos e queima a ionosfera, haha) Muito legal as fotos!
http://imgur.com/gallery/6vXRW
(Huelbe Garcia, PU3HAG, Aug 29, radioescutas yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DXLD) be sure to click on 27 more photos link at the bottom (gh)

What a great set of excellent hi res photos for HAARP! Always wanted to see better details and now I can. Thanks PU3HAG for sharing! (Don VE6JY Moman, AB, dxldyg via DXLD)

Huelbe, Poder fazer uma visita do tipo deve ser uma experiÍncia Ìmpar. No inÌcio da dÈcada passada eles fizeram uma sÈrie de transmissıes que inclusive podiam ser captadas no Brasil. Lembro claramente ter enviado um informe de recepÁ„o com um disquete contendo trechos da gravaÁ„o. Devo ter usado tal mÌdia pois creio que na Època n„o tinha gravador de CD no meu PC ou talvez por economizar com envio de um CD que seria subutilizado e faturei o QSL com a marcaÁ„o de primeiro enviado para c·. Bons tempos de DX feitos com um Sony ICF-SW7600G. 73 (Ivan Dias ñ Sorocaba/SP, http://ivandias.wordpress.com ibid.)

** ALBANIA. 7464.976 kHz, odd frequency from RT Shijak broadcast center. Radio Tirana Ch. 3 German service to central Europe. Hum roar NOISE of 5 strings seen either sideband, at 50 / 100 / 150 / 200 / 300 Hertz distance apart of carrier fundamental. Radio Tirana Interval theme noted at end of program at 1956 UT, see enclosed PC screenshot of August 26. regards de (Wolfy df5sx B¸schel, Stuttgart, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7474.977 kHz, odd frequency from RT Shijak broadcast center. Radio Tirana Ch. 3 English service to central Europe. Hum roar NOISE of 11 + 12 strings seen either sideband, at 50 / 100 / 150 / 200 / 300 ... up to 1350 Hertz visible distance apart of carrier fundamental. See enclosed PC screenshot of August 27, 2009 UT. regards de (Wolfy df5sx, Stuttgart Germany, ibid.)

Radio Tirana Albanian 7390v kHz not on air at 0710 UT = 09.10 hrs Albanian summertime, August 28. When checked at 0803 UT August 28, 7390v Shijak in Albanian channel 3 program is on air,

WITH TERRIBLE T R A C T O R BUZZ SOUND as always.

as always 11 x 50 / 100 Hertz peak strings visible on Perseus software. hum roar NOISE of 11 + 12 strings seen either sideband, at 50 / 100 / 150 / 200 / 300 ... up to 1050 Hertz visible distance apart of carrier fundamental. 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, DXLD)

Subject: Radio Tirana audible last night

Dear Drita: Light at the end of the tunnel last night! Radio Tirana heard yesterday August 26 2016 at 1958-2029 UT on 7465 kHz in Swedish tropical heat, up to 30 deg C today. Even Middle East people and Africans I know here complain - too hot!

Here is a formal reception report, for our QSL competition in the SDXF I welcome a QSL either by e-mail or direct by post. Please, dear Drita, take care of this personally!

To my surprise and enjoyment the transmission was indeed audible. SINPO 3/45433, not strong last night but the hum was low, the problem was a rather low modulation level. Program Heard:
1958 Interval signal - loud and clear
2000 ID in English, lady announcer, giving times and frequencies
2001 News read by male speaker
2007 Albanian song
2010 Short speech related to Shkodra
2012 Non-stop Albanian light Music/songs
2027 The Beautiful signature tune
2028 Interval signal
2029 Close down

Receiver my faithful Japanese NRD-535D and the L antenna 50 m long running west-east. This is what I can inform you about today, dear Drita. I am so happy to see the team of qualified DXers standing up for you and Radio Tirana! Few radio stations experience similar support!!

I have neglected Radio Tirana, I admit I put my strength and ability on Radio KukÎsi on the web as long as Aida Selmanaj was working there, a fine collaboration with her and the manager Petrit. But Aida migrated to Germany and has become established there. That's the fate, o kurbet, kurbet i zi! I live with it in my own home, with Samka; she does listen to Radio Tirana a lot and the fine "N'ishull" cultural program from Radio Kosova. She keeps her Albanian colours high!

That's all, my friend. Please remember the QSL for me. I am very active on shortwaves, this year so far 76 QSLs received from all over

the World!

Urimet mÎ tÎ mira. me suksese pÎr ty personalisht dhe pÎr Radio-TiranÎn, edhe shumÎ tÎ fala z. Valmir, i cili interesohet pozitivisht pÎr emisionet tuaja. Ullmari --- ULLMAR QVICK, TROZELLIGATAN 43, SE-603 52 NORRK÷PING (via Drita «iÁo, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9855-, Aug 30 at 0127, R. Tirana is S4 with humroar, but not as loud as usual; unfortunately the IS cannot be heard at all until barely at 0129 under the hum. Usually if anything be audible, it`s the IS. Still no program, just humroar at 0156 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Tirana with distorted audio, but not completely on Aug 30:
0700-0900 7390 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Albanian Daily, relay HS-1
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/radio-tirana-with-distorted-audio-but.html
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9854.969, Radio Tirana Albanian to NW Europe and Northern America, 2300-2400 UT via Shijak shortwave center. Observed at 2340-0002:28 UT, Tuesday August 30th / 31st, in Germany western Europe skip zone at S=8-9 or -74dBm signal. AUDIO SIGNAL - is STILL NOT CLEAN !

Some garden fence like - hum roar strings visible, 12 x 100 Hertz + 3 x 50 Hertz = 50 / 150 / 250 Hertz ... mainpower apart distance buzz 'visible' and heard, listen to enclosed recording of tonight.

Interval signal and Radio Tirana theme noted from 2358:15 to 0002:25 UT. Shijak off at 0002:28 UT exact on August 31-UT.

9855 kHz Co-channel Voice of America Tibetan language program from IBB relay site at Kuwait, - and China mainland Chinese jamming started at crash start before 0000 UT. Latter signal also S=7 into western Europe. [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz]

These FAULTY MODULATION outlet transmissions from Shijak transmitter happened NOW DURING 9 - nine - WEEKS ALREADY, since June 22, 2016 (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 30 via DXLD)

9855-, Aug 31 at 0128, same old story from R. Tirana, S6 with IS vs hum, but programming unreadable next semihour (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANGOLA. 4949.728, measured around 1820 UT on Aug 28, R·dio Nacional, Mulenvos, poor S=5-6 or -88dBm signal [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (wb df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 28)(Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

Off-frequency carrier detectable any evening here, running all night, but seldom any more than that (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARGENTINA. 15345. August 25, 2016. 1848-1852, Radio Argentina al Exterior, Gral. Pacheco, in English, presumably. Music. Awful broadcasting this afternoon (03:48 PM). (DXer: JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Location: Cabedelo-PB, Brazil. RX (s): Degen DE1103 + Sony ICF-SW100S. Antenna: Portable Telescopic, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD) Awful? In what way? (gh, DXLD)

** ARMENIA. 80th birthday of Radio Prague on shortwave, August 31. Special transmissions via Shortwaveservice NORATUS Yerevan as follows:
1630-1705 9535 100 kW / 065 deg EaEu Russian, QRM BBC Bengali 9540SNG
1800-1832 11845 100 kW / 305 deg WeEu German, bad local noise on 25 mb
1832-1903 11845 100 kW / 305 deg WeEu French, QRM VOA Kirundi 11835SMG
1930-2002 9885 100 kW / 330 deg NoEu Czech, bad local noise on 31 mb!
2002-2030 9885 100 kW / 330 deg NoEu English bad local noise on 31 mb
2100-2130 9405 100 kW / 280 deg SoEu Spanish bad local noise on 31 mb
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/80th-birthday-of-radio-prague-on_1.html
(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) see CZECHIA [non]

** ASCENSION IS. 6135, BBC relay in Hausa to Nigeria/W. Africa *0530 to 0600* with consistent Good level throughout. No QRM from R Aparecida 200 Hz above other than a weak background het. Many mentions of ìNigeriaî and ìBBCî. Other than periodic drum signals, music was scarce on this program. 0559.5* after short drum & flute signal. Posted by: ("Bruce Churchill", CA, 0047 UT Aug 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ASCENSION ISLAND. Not bad signals made it northwards even at sidelobe signal also during downunder deep winter. Heard three ASC signals in Detroit Michigan remote unit this morning on 49 meterband in 05-06 UT time slot.

5925 BBC English S=7 signal at S=6-7 or -82dBm, via 114degr azimuth outlet to zones 52, 53, and 57.

\\ 5875 kHz - this 65degr azimuth outlets was little lesser strength in 05-06 UT.

But similar to 5925 kHz BBC, heard VoA Hausa language service from ASC at 27degr azimuth, S=8-9 at 0515 UT on Aug 25. [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ASCENSION. Special DRM transmission celebrating 50th Anniversary of SW broadcast from Ascension Island --- I caught the very briefest peel

of bells in AM-mode on 21715 kHz at 1155 UT before I could see that the transmission switched to DRM - however the signal here was minimal and was far and away too low to ever be decoded (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK with Winradio G31 and 17m wire antennas, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

BBC em DRM da Ilha AscenÁ„o ñ-- Amigos, Escuta em BrasÌlia da transmiss„o de hoje (28.08.16) em DRM da BBC World Service em 21715 kHz da Ilha AscenÁ„o voltada para o Brasil.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZW6AHljpOUs
73 (Lucio Haeser, BrasÌlia, Aug 28, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Interessante! Minha expectativa era de um ·udio com maior largura de banda. BBC escolheu um codec similar ao ·udio de AM? (Huelbe Garcia, ibid.)

… verdade. Podiam ter colocado uma qualidade melhor. Mas foi minha primeira escuta em DRM, ent„o t· bom demais (L˙cio Haeser, ibid.)

** AUSTRALIA. 2325, VL8T Tennant Creek NT, 1100 to 1110 strong carrier with very weak audio 25 August.

2485, VL8K Katherine NT, 1030 to 1050 fading up with chat in English, marginal signal, happy to receive this at all 25 August.

4835, VL8A Alice Springs, NT, 1030 to 1037; 1055 rechecks with commentary and brief music, good signal 25 August.

4910, VL8T, Tennant Creek 0745 to 0755 fading up with OM and YL brief music. 27 August (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, dxsf 1981 - 2016, NASWA yg via DXLD)

2325, ABC-NT (Tennant Creek) & 2485 ABC-NT (Katherine) 1327-1345+ 26 August. Surprised to find both 120M ABC stations readable this morning with the end of "Grandstand AFL on ABC local radio.." to BOH, then news (another part of MH370 found off Mozambique, elections in NT, Italian earthquake, 3 dead in Melbourne area road accidents), brief sports (team in Perth beat visiting Adelaide by 29 points) & OZ weather followed by "Nightlife" program featuring Dionne Warwick (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA PL380/6m X wire [v.2.0]), DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[Cf SIKKIM] All the ABC NT stations were silent today (Ron Howard, Calif., Aug 30, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

For the second day running, the ABC regionals of 4835, 2325 and 2485 kHz are off-air. Don't know why, but sounds like maintenance. This gives one an opportunity to hear AIR Gangtok on 4835. Only ever heard

here at Mount Evelyn when VL8A is off. Last night a very weak signal, after 1130 UT. Several others also noted it. I can't check it out tonight (early start tomorrow), but maybe someone else can? Let us know how you go! Here's a little blog post I did re. my last night's observations on Gangtok:

http://medxr.blogspot.com.au/2016/08/air-gangtok-4835-khz-rare-reception.html
73 all, (Rob VK3BVW, Wagner, 91 Bailey Road, Mount Evelyn VIC 3796, http://www.robwagner.com.au 1148 UT Aug 31, ARDXC via DXLD)

Now 60/120 mB transmitters "on maintenance" --- Just in case it has not been noted so far: Since yesterday now the Alice Springs, Tennant Creek and Katherine shortwave transmitters are off air, all three at once if I get it right. Someone already seen the obfuscating text the ABC Reception Advice drones are to send out this time? (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Aug 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

There is large coverage overlap among the three NT stations from different locations --- if they really wanted to keep serving most of the audience, they would not take all three down at same time for maintenance (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

** AUSTRALIA. Was RA of the air this morning? I only switched on shortly ~1515z and couldn't hear them on 9580 nor 12085, but I could hear BBC Singapore with a fair signal on 11890 kHz. It could have been propagation conditions, I suppose, with recent Geomagnetic storms, but then BBC Singapore comes in but Shepparton doesn't? Suspicious. 73s (Rodney Johnson, Las Vegas, Nevada, Aug 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I was hearing all three before 1400, and at least 9580 well after 1400 (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

All 3 RA SHP transmitters were on air today Aug 25, around 5 UT this UTC morning 17840 15415 15240, when checked Brisbane, and now around 1735 UT UTC afternoon also 9580 12065 and 12085 on air, but reception FROM THE SOUTH in the northern hemisphere is very bad, like poor and tiny signals - from downunder on remote SDR units in Japan, India and Qatar. wb df5sx

All three RA SHP units 17840, 15415, and 15240 kHz on air at 2225 UT on Aug 27-UT, even S=7-8 signal across the Indian Ocean into central EUR / southern Germany. wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

12085/12065, RA [non-log] 1320+ 26 August. 9580 doing well today, but no sign of the 25M outlets. Poor propagation or is RA messing about again? (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA PL380/6m X wire [v.2.0]), DX LISTENING DIGEST)

(returns on-air!) 15415. August 27, 2016. 2142-2155, Radio Australia, Shepparton, in English. Male announcer makes a interview with a man and a one rooster crowing, underground; female announcer talks and says Radio Australia (ID) and other interview; ID. Broadcasting with fair signal and modulation, 35433. Parallel logs on 15240 kHz, on-air, but barely audible; on 17840 kHz, is off (DXer: JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Cabedelo-PB, Brazil (UTC-3), RX (s): Sony ICF-SW100S, Antenna: Portable Telescopic, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD) It was already back on from 2257 UT Sept 19 (gh)

(Incredible signal and modulation!) 15415. August 28, 2016. 2100-2135, Radio Australia, Shepparton, in English. Female announcer talks, ID and followed, with a male announcer, presents a Newsletter; talks by phone, with a New Zealand report; other long interview with a man; 2132 Female and male announcers talks, ID, news continues. Radio Australia, today, with a good signal and modulation, on the 15415 kHz best frequency! Much better than yesterday, 45444 (DXer: JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Cabedelo-PB, Brazil (UTC-3), RX (s): Sony ICF-SW100S, Antenna: Portable Telescopic, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

9580, RA, 1235, Aug 29. During a brief check, noted off the air, but present were 12065 (fair) // 12085 (somewhat better than fair) (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Ron, I noticed this too, but here (at ~1400z) 12085 was just above the noise and 12065 nothing heard. It was surprising to find 9580 not there at all, but at the time I was chalking it up to propagation. It still didn't make sense since 49 meters had strong signals from RNZI and BBC Thailand (Rodney Johnson, NV, ibid.)

It wasn't propagation, 9580 was simply missing. However, 17840 is on air at 2330z so I would expect 9580 to be back tomorrow morning (Jlenamon, Waco, Aug 29, ibid.)

All three RA on air at 1045 UT Aug 30, 9580, 12065 and 12085 kHz, heard at Nagoya and Kyoto remote units. BUT 31 mb range 9522 to 9618 kHz heavily disturbed of BUBBLE type jamming of - probably - D.P.R. North Koreans, against KBS Korean service at 09-11 UT of 9570 kHz center frequency. 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

R Australia Shepparton on 17840 suffered a 7 minute outage this evening, Wednesday Aug 31 at 2327z, back on air at 2334. I wonder if this transmitter has a significant problem or if it's just a little gremlin that they're having trouble finding? I guess someone was on duty at Shepparton to push a few buttons and get them back on air.

Not to knock R Australia and the engineers at Shepparton, I may be

their most appreciative listener, but does anyone remember when the BBC would announce their regrets whenever they had "a break in transmission" on a single channel? Hard to imagine that happening now (Jlenamon, Waco, TX, ibid.)

** AUSTRALIA [and non]. Unique Radio time change on WINB

http://www.uniqueradio.info/

Welcome to Unique Radio 1647 AM & 3210 SW, Northwest NSW Australia. We are streaming online in digital stereo. Our primary coverage is Tamworth & Northwest NSW but can be listened to elsewhere. Shortwave (3210 kHz) from Halls Creek NSW broadcasts as per scheduled hours (See schedule). The vertical antenna has now been tuned and should be emitting a better signal. Reports welcomed. Please feel free to contact Aussie Tim today on our 'contact us' link, thankyou.

1647 kHz Tamworth NSW is due to be put on air very soon. New online stream due soon. Please Note: We are online in crystal clear digital at the links below.

All programs are repeated numerous times on our online streams. Happy listening! Listen to us @ 5685.cloudrad.io:8462 (64K MP3) or 5628.cloudrad.io:8450 (64K MP3) (Click links for audio and then press 'listen'

International Shortwave

We will be broadcasting from WINB Red Lion Pennsylvania USA on 9265

Aussie Tim's Brekky show

From Saturday August 27th we will be broadcasting from 1100 to 1200 Hours UT or 7 AM EDT OR 6 AM CDT To North America and the Pacific. The change is due to poor propagation in the late evenings in North America. We will interested to know if anyone in New Zealand and Australia can receive these transmissions in their evenings (9 PM Eastern Australian time). Reports welcomed.

It is also streamed at Unique Radio and WINB. We would also like to ask listeners for some interaction including, how they started with shortwave listening, their location, their equipment, a reception report and even song requests (oldies). We look forward to your participation. Regards, Aussie Tim (via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DXLD)

** BAHAMAS. 810, ZNS3 Freeport, 0034, pop music, much stronger than // 1540 Nassau, which is unusual here (Aug. 24, 2016) (XM, Cedar Key, Florida, NRD525D, R8A, E5, via Bob Wilkner, Mosquito Coast DX News,

NASWA yg via DXLD) Before Cedar Key got inundated: is XM OK? (gh)

** BAHRAIN. Radio Bahrain on 9745 was confirmed with program in English on Saturday 27 August 2016 at 1445-1759, featuring news in English at 1500-1505 and hits from UK & US Charts (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Aug 31, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BANGLADESH. 4750, Bangladesh Betar - HS, *1254-1307*, Aug 26. Usual format; CNR1 QRM on frequency (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BANGLADESH. 15505, Aug 26 at 1400:05.5, 5+1 mis-timesignal ending is pretty close from BB, after theme IS, before opening Urdu service. Has been a long time since I had enough very poor signal to perceive this (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BIAFRA [non]. SECRETLAND vs SWAZILAND, Radio Biafra vs Trans World Radio Africa on August 28:
from 1800 on 11700 SCB 100 kW / 195 deg to WeAf English SPL Radio Biafra dead air
1800-1830 on 11700 MAN 100 kW / 013 deg to EaAf Amharic Sun only TWR Africa:
from 1900 on 11700 SCB 100 kW / 195 deg to WeAf English SPL Radio Biafra live px:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/radio-biafra-vs-trans-world-radio.html
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 3310, Radio Mosoj Chaski, Cochabamba, noted 1040 to 1050 with YL in Quechua, weaker than normal signal, T-storm racket 25 August (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, dxsf 1981 - 2016, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. 4796.01, Aug 31 at 0123, JBA carrier, probably R. LÌpez, Uyuni, reactivated. First reported by Eduard Korsakov, Moskva, to the DXLD yg, Aug 30 at 0245-0302 as unID, possibly Peruvian. Not in WRTH 2016. R. LÌpez per the DSWCI TBS 2016 was last reported three years ago in August 2013 (and was formerly known as R. Mallku, as still listed in Aoki!). All this is based primarily on the odd frequency, so if anyone can pull a definite ID, that would be nice. It might even have a third name by now. Recheck at 0205, no signal detectable (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 6025, presumed Red Patria Nueva with actual audio 0351-0412*, Aug 31. Not often I get any audio here, but did so today with EZL pop songs and suddenly off; poor (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOUGAINVILLE. 3325, NBC Bougainville, 1145*, Aug 25. Suddenly off

during pop song; yet another day of above average reception.

Hi Glenn, Aug 26 is a national public holiday in PNG, so special NBC happenings for "Repentance Day," a religious holiday. Heard 3325 (NBC Bougainville) from 1151 to about 1239*, with a double anomaly; first there was no "News in Brief" at 1201 (extremely rare!) and secondly running well past their usual recent sign off time. https://anydayguide.com/calendar/2383

Highlights:

1151-1159: Interview in Tok Pisin/Pidgin.

1200: "11 o'clock"; ID; montage/promo for "NBC Bougainville"; another ID with frequencies; music.

1206-1239: Religious program in Tok Pisin/Pidgin; asked five questions regarding the Bible (given in English, "#2 - In the Bible, who is the oldest man?"); questions frequently repeated; listeners told to write down the five answers and to call in to a number that was given; several live on air calls from listeners answering the questions; played religious music. Seemed to go off at 1239*, as after that I seemed to just be hearing Pro 1 RRI Palangkaraya (Ron Howard, CA, Aug 27, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also PNG

** BRAZIL. 3375.1, Brasil, R·dio Municipal S„o Gabriel da Cachoeira, 0200 to 0210 with deep fades in Portuguese long talk by OM 24 August (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, dxsf 1981 - 2016, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 4755.94, UnID possibly Brasil, R·dio Imaculada ConceiÁ„o, Campo Grande, MS, weak in Portuguese 2345 to 2357 26 August (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, dxsf 1981 - 2016, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 5035, Aug 31 at 0610, weak broadcast signal, presumably R. Aparecida, not enough here nor on 11854.9 to make a match. 5035 never audible more than a carrier here earlier in evenings, blocked by 5040 Cuba; Aoki gives odd schedule of 05-03 UT. 5035 has another Brazilian, R. EducaÁ„o Rural, Coari, which may or may not relay R. Rio Mar, Manaus; a report of that by Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal was never confirmed by ZY DXers (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 6135.2, R. Aparecida with Good signal and low noise on 8/26 to SDR unit in Edmonton from 0605 tune. Occasional mention of ìAparecidaî ñ seemed to be largely a religious program. This station is much weaker at my home QTH (see Ascension) Posted by: ("Bruce Churchill", CA, 0047 UT Aug 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 6180, Aug 30 at 0144, no signal from RNA, but 11780 was active a few minutes earlier as I 25m bandscanned.

6180, Aug 31 at 0055, RNA is still off; and 11780, Aug 31 at 0112, RNA is still on. 6180 still missing at 0402 Aug 31, so VOA French may have another clear shot at 0530 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 9565.03, SRDA, 2145, really surprised to find this and at decent strength, excited talk by man with brief comments by woman, into lively music. This motivated me to check for other 31mb ZY's but none of the others were heard. 26 August (David Sharp, NSW, FT-950, NRD-535D, R8, R30A, Timewave 599ZX, various Palstar and MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, various Sangean and Tecsun portables, EWE aerials, via Bob Wilkner, NASWA yg via DXLD) Jamming and MartÌ are on 9565 too at this time; and jammer beyond (gh, DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 11925.231 kHz, measured exact at 1858 UT on Aug 28. R·dio Bandeirantes, Sao Paulo, poor afternoon signal Brazil - Europe path [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (wb df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 28)(Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

** BURUNDI [non]. FRANCE, Reception of Radio Publique Africaine via TDF Issoudun, Aug 30
1800-1831 on 15480 ISS 250 kW / 145 deg to SoAf Kirundi
1831-1858 on 15480 ISS 250 kW / 145 deg to SoAf French
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/reception-of-radio-publique-africaine.html
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 9745. August 27, 2016. 1924-1935, CNR1 Firedragon. All Chinese continuous instrumental songs; At 1930, IS of China Radio International, ID and program in Esperanto, a collision after 1930 UT (DXer: JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Cabedelo-PB, Brazil (UTC-3), RX (s): Sony ICF-SW100S, Antenna: Portable Telescopic, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

CNR1 and Firedragon are not the same thing. Firedragon is the-all-traditional-instrumental-music used only as jamming. CNR1 is the #1 full service domestic radio program in China, but which these days is used as an audio source for jamming more than Firedragon is. Some other CNR1 frequencies, scads of them, are legitimate non-jammers. Sometimes BOTH are applied to the same jamming target, often with an echo on the CNR1 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9745, Firedragon, 1949, Aug 28. Strong signal of FD non-stop musical jamming against RFA; unable to tell if CNR1 also used (Ron Howard,

Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Chinese Firedrake Jammer Runamuck! Check out what 10,000 kHz sounded like this morning at 1850 UT in Alaska. Chinese Firedrake Jammer on 10005 runamuck, obliterating WWVH and there's something else in there too.
https://youtu.be/Q3SzWPrOflA
(Paul Walker, AK, Aug 31, ptsw yg via DXLD)

4790, CNR1 program jamming at 1245, Aug 29. All ready to jam the upcoming BBC Uzbek sign on *1300; CNR1 clearly // 6125 (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. 15590, CNR1 at 1428 in Mandarin (jamming VOA in Mandarin via the Philippines) with a man with talk then 1+1 time pips at 1430 and into a string of ads and promos, some with a mention of ìHong Kongî and back to a man with talk at 1434 ñ Good Aug 28 ñ these time pips and the 5+1 time pips at the top of the hour are a definite sign that you are listening to a jammer taking CNR's legitimate program and relaying it on a VOA, RFA, or RTI program in Mandarin. Plus the aforementioned western broadcasters do not normally include ads and promos in their transmissions (Mark Coady, Ont., ODXA YRX via DXLD)

17810, CNR1 [jammer], 0651 21 August. CNR1's sounders & chat completely covering targeted RFA's Chinese broadcast (Dan Sheedy, Encinitas, CA PL380/6m X wire [v.2.0]), DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 4940, Voice of the Strait, Fuzhou, 1049, W in Chinese commentary, fair signal, about the most reliable Asian morning signal here (Aug. 27, 2016) (XM, Cedar Key, Florida, NRD525D, R8A, E5, via Bob Wilkner, Mosquito Coast DX News, NASWA yg via DXLD) Here too (gh)

** CHINA. 5050, Guangxi Beibu Bay Radio, 1400, Aug 26. Time pips; in English with "Beijing time is now 10 PM," "Guangxi Beibu Bay Radio" and "BBR Evening News"; into news in Vietnamese; mixing badly with AIR Aizawl on frequency (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 6185, CHBC (presumed), on Aug. 29 tuned in at 0932 to a decent level open carrier; audio started suddenly at 0953 with announcers chatting in Chinese; 0957 pop music; ToH time pips. Not often I report on this, but in fact is heard just about on a daily basis. For some reason this is rarely reported by others? I still treasure my CHBC QSL card
http://goo.gl/90wg0F
from Jonathan Short (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST) China Huayi, 15 kW per WRTH. Short is pseudonym for Chinese guy volunteering to be QSL manager (gh, DXLD)

** CHINA. 9515. August 25, 2016. 1914-1919, China Radio International, Shijiazhuang, in Czech. Female announcer talks; Male and female announcers presents a Chinese Class: Chinese versus Czech languages. Station with good signal and fair modulation, 45433 (DXer: JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Location: Cabedelo-PB, Brazil. RX (s): Degen DE1103 + Sony ICF-SW100S. Antenna: Portable Telescopic, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

Come to think of it, are there any other stations left on SW in Czech language? No! ADDX by-language schedule ``Hˆrfahrplan Tschechisch, Stand: 13.06.2016`` shows only CRI and with only one other hour in Czech. Not even R. Prague, via WRMI in English and Spanish only, unlike R. Slovakia International (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COLOMBIA. 6010, COLUMBIA [sic]. Voz de tu Conciencia-Puerto Lieras, at 0226, on 28 Aug, in Spanish. A male singer is singing a very long, slow old fashioned sounding song. A male DJ came on and spoke briefly about the song followed by a station ID, and then a musical interlude with more talk. Fair (John Cooper, Lebanon, PA. Equipment: Winradio-G33DDC, CommRadio CR-1a, SDR-IQ, Sangean ATS-909X w/Clear Mod, Wellbrook ALA1530S+, Wellbrook ALA1530LNPro, Pars SWL Sloper, GAP-Hear It-In Line Module, Timewave ANC-4, NASWA Flashsheet via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DXLD)

Evenings and late-night bandscans, I always check for this, and occasionally have a JBA carrier off-frequency, but figure it`s Brasil. Nothing ever on 5910 any more. My recent inquiry to QSL manager about the status of the HJDH twins has gone unanswered (Glenn Hauser, Aug 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5909.95, Aug 31 at 0125, music at S8 and occasional Spanish announcements, such as 0127 automated timecheck, typical of Alcarav·n Radio, which this surely is, at last reactivated. 0159 announcement about ``tema de la independencia colombiana``. Previously was on hi side of 5910.0. So of course I look for its sibling:

6010.17, Aug 31 at 0130, music at S6, not // 5909.95, but surely La Voz de tu Conciencia has also been reactivated. At 0149 it`s S9 while 5910 is up to S9+15, i.e. consistently weaker than 5910v, which is to be expected since its direxional antenna was installed to minimize QRM to XEOI 6010 MÈxico DF, but which no longer matters as a defunct station. Hard to copy but 0202 YL announcement mentions Colombia.

In the old days, the pair at the same Puerto Lleras site would produce a mixing product around 5810. If these exact frequencies persist, that would land on 5809.73 --- look for a carrier there and maybe some audio from one or the other, if both are still on when WEWN finishes

with 5810 around 0500.

(NHK France of course blox 5910 at 03-05; nothing much else on 6010 except erratic InconfidÍncia, Brasil, which is also off-frequency, and maybe Bahrain after 0300?). Reverse leapfrog would land on 6110.39 --- watch out for R. Fana, Ethiopia.

6010.160, Aug 31 at 0553, La Voz de tu Conciencia, first heard earlier in evening on 6010.17, remeasured now with music, but it varies audibly as I try to pin it.

5909.978, Aug 31 at 0556, Alcarav·n Radio likewise remeasured, compared to 5909.95 earlier. No trace of possible leapfrog mixing products around 5810 or 6110 now that both frequencies are clear (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COLOMBIA. PolÈmica por 31 emisoras comunitarias para las Farc --- El Gobierno aclara que ser·n temporales, de corto alcance y para divulgar los acuerdos.
Por: TECN"SFERA | 7:33 p.m. | 30 de agosto de 2016

Las Farc contar·n com 31 emisoras distribuidas en diferentes regiones del paÌs. Foto: Eliana Aponte / EL TIEMPO [caption]

http://www.eltiempo.com/tecnosfera/novedades-tecnologia/31-emisoras-comunitarias-para-las-farc-causan-polemica/16687584

Uno de los puntos del texto final del acuerdo con las Farc que ha generado polÈmica es el de "Herramientas de difusiÛn y comunicaciÛn" que seÒala que las Farc contar·n con 31 emisoras distribuidas en diferentes regiones del paÌs.

AsÌ quedÛ consignado en el documento completo y definitivo de 297 p·ginas que se firmÛ el pasado 24 de agosto en La Habana y que ser· sometido a refrendaciÛn del pueblo colombiano el prÛximo 2 de octubre.

El Gobierno aclara que estas emisoras comunitarias ser·n temporales, de corto alcance y para 'divulgar' los acuerdos.

David Luna, ministro de las TecnologÌas de la InformaciÛn y las Comunicaciones, explicÛ en entrevista con 'MaÒanas BLU', cÛmo funcionar·n las emisoras que se conceder·n a las Farc para hacer campaÒa de pedagogÌa sobre el proceso de paz.

ìLas potencias de estas emisoras por lo general nunca superan los 2 kilovatios, mientras que las comerciales llegan hasta los 100. Muchas de estas zonas son corregimientos de los municipios base. Cerca significa que en el municipio funcionar· esa emisora con una cobertura

en la zona de concentraciÛnî, explicÛ el Ministro.

Luna tambiÈn dijo que se trata de frecuencias disponibles que se entregar·n para un fin pedagÛgico, al mismo tiempo que negÛ que eso signifique que se vayan a legalizar los medios que tienen las Farc actualmente.

ìSon emisoras totalmente nuevas que van a permitir la divulgaciÛn de los acuerdos. Las emisoras no se est·n adjudicando, se est·n activando para que haya un mecanismos de total transparencia para que puedan desarrollar esa actividadî, puntualizÛ.

El ministro aclarÛ que el acuerdo final seÒala que una vez finalice el proceso de dejaciÛn de armas y entre en funcionamiento Ecomun, las 31 emisoras ser·n administradas por esta cooperativa.

ìTerminado el proceso, tendr·n que participar en una licitaciÛn abierta si quieren seguir desarrollando esa actividad, como cualquier otro colombiano" puntualizÛ.

MarÌa del Rosario Guerra, senadora del Centro Democr·tico, denunciÛ que al menos 31 emisoras ser·n entregadas "a dedo" a la guerrilla.

ìCuando uno lee el acuerdo en la p·gina 191 claramente est· estipulado que se activar·n 31 emisoras en FM, bajo la modalidad de interÈs p˙blico, primero para hacer pedagogÌa del acuerdo, y luego ya ser·n manejados por el Com˙n, que es la organizaciÛn de economÌa solidaria que conformar· las Farc para manejar los temas de puesta en marcha del acuerdoî, seÒalÛ la senadora en entrevista con 'MaÒanas BLU'.

La oposiciÛn al Gobierno colombiano seÒalÛ que este privilegio afecta la igualdad entre partidos polÌticos y entrega recursos de medios comunitarios al grupo guerrillero.

TECN”SFERA (via Henrik Klemetz, Sweden, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DXLD)

** CONGO. 6115, Radio Congo, Brazzaville, *1800-1850*, 26-08, French, news and comments, identification: "Radio Congo", "Tous les auditeurs". 14321 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Reinante and Lugo, Tecsun PL-880, Sangean ATS-909X, Cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6115, Radio Congo, 1815, first time heard in probably weeks, low modulation but French man with news could be copied with a tight filter. 26 August. 6115 Congo is missing, not even a trace of a carrier, so still irregular, 27 August (David Sharp, NSW, FT-950, NRD-535D, R8, R30A, Timewave 599ZX, various Palstar and MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, various Sangean and Tecsun portables, EWE aerials, via

Bob Wilkner, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** CONGO DR. Radio Tele Candip, Bunia-COD, 5066.392 measured exact at 1830 UT on Aug 28, also poor and tiny signal into southern Europe and Germany. S=5-6 or -88dBm [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (wb df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 28)(Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

** CUBA. 770, Radio Artemisa, Artemisa. 1029 August 27, 2016. Female, "Desde la tierra... Radio Artemisa..." into Instituto de MeteorologÌa update on approaching tropical blob.

910, Radio Cadena Agramonte, Camag¸ey. 0900 August 28, 2016. Male "Radio Cadena Agramonte, Camag¸ey" right at tune-in, then female talk -- (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

970, Radio Guam·, Los Palacios, 0037, coming in strongly over WFLA Tampa and // 990 and 1000. 970 Guam· not normally heard here (Aug 24, 2016) (XM, Cedar Key, Florida, NRD525D, R8A, E5, via Bob Wilkner, Mosquito Coast DX News, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** CUBA. 9580, Aug 30 at 0131, CRI English relay achieves only bits of distorted audio breaking thru the dead air. Wiggle that patchcord! No such problem on 9570 Albanian relay which is S9+20, huge compared to R. Tirana at the other site, S4.

6165, Aug 30 at 0145, RHC English is suptorted, while the only //, 6000 is OK; WTP (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. Rebelde off 5025: see PERU

** CZECHIA [non]. RADIO PRAGUE CELEBRATES 80TH ANNIVERSARY WITH SPECIAL QSL

On August 31, 1936 Czechoslovak Radio launched its international service on shortwave. The station identified itself as ìRadio Prague, Czechoslovakiaî. Radio Prague will mark its 80th birthday with a series of special reports and events posted on their website.

Special QSL

Radio Prague will issue a special QSL card to mark its 80th birthday. To obtain it, please send a reception report from their special birthday broadcast on August 31st 2016.

More about 80 years of Radio Prague at :
http://www.radio.cz/en/static/80-years-of-radio-prague

Radio Prague 80th Anniversary Competition
http://www.radio.cz/en/static/competition-2016/
[it closed on July 15; winners to be posted on August 31]]

Meanwhile
http://www.shortwaveservice.com
has announced special transmissions via Yerevan to commemorate Radio Prague's celebration of 80 years of broadcasting.

Tune in on Wednesday, 31st of August.

1630-1700 UT on 9535 towards 65 Russia 100 kW (Russian)*
1800-1900 UT on 11845 towards 305 Europe 100 kW (German/French)
1930-2030 UT on 9885 towards 330 Scandinavia 100 kW (Czech/English)
2100-2130 UT on 9405 towards 280 Southern Europe 100 kW (Spanish)
* tentative

As the broadcasts are shorter than 30 Minutes, Shortwave service would like to fill it with your Radio Prague Birthday Greetings. Please leave a message on answering machine +4922517724266 or send a prerecorded file to info@shortwaveservice.com
--- (via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, Aug 27, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WHAT ABOUT THE RADIO PRAGUE BROADCASTS VIA WRMI? Why aren`t they mentioned in this PR? On WRMI schedule in English currently:

2330-2400 daily? 5850
0030-0100 Tue-Sat 9955
0300-0330 Sun/Mon 9955
1200-1230 Mon-Sat 9955

I put the 1200 broadcast last since IIRC it`s a repeat of the previous day, i.e. Aug 31, the only one qualifying for special QSL would air on UT Sept 1 (as the 0030 and 0300 are also by UT days) (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It must be just me, but I just cannot get excited over stations that no longer broadcast from their own country. I sure liked the SWL game in the 60s. At least back then one knew who the opposition was, I think. Lol.

Now living out here in the radio dead zone of central Oregon with more RFI than one could shake a stick at, I probably wouldn't hear Radio Prague from Czechoslovakia anyway. At 64, I suspect I won't ever experience high solar cycle maximums like 50-20 years ago. I suspect the next 4 cycles won't be that great. But at least the marijana grow lights are 20 over S9. Regards, (George, NJ3H, Redmond, Oregon USA, Perseus SDR, Elad FDM-S2 SDR, CommRadio CR1a, Wellbrook ALA1530AL-2

antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RADIO PRAGUE 80TH ANNIVERSARY BROADCASTS

Hi all, Here's a quick heads-up for listeners in Europe. I realise - and hope - that listeners in Europe who may not be aware of these transmissions will find the time to tune in: I also hope that some people in places outside the target areas may also have some luck with listening in.

To mark the 80th birthday of Radio Prague there will be a number of one-off transmissions today, 31st August 2016, on shortwave. It is understood that the schedule is to be as follows:

1630-1700 UT Russian to Russia on 9535. Beam direction: 65 degrees
1800-1830 UT German to Europe on 11845. Beam direction: 305 degrees
1830-1900 UT French to Europe on 11845. Beam direction: 305 degrees
1930-2000 UT Czech to Scandinavia 9885. Beam direction: 330 degrees
2000-2030 UT English to Scandinavia 9885. Beam direction: 330 degrees
2100-2130 UT Spanish to SW Europe on 9405. Beam direction: 280 degrees
[Info from swling.com]

Radio Prague say on their website that they will issue a special QSL which will only be for the above transmissions. The relays are being provided by shortwaveservice.com who normally transmit via. Kall: however the shortwaveservice.com site says that the transmitter being used for the above broadcasts is in Armenia, not Kall.

I will certainly be tuning in. 73s, (Dave Harries, UK, Aug 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

And as I already posted here so will not repeat the details, R. Prague is also on SW via WRMI --- why wasn`t that mentioned? (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

31 August special broadcast of Radio Prague on shortwave --- Czech Republic - On the occasion of the 80th anniversary, Radio Prague has a special return to shortwave broadcasting organized in collaboration with shortwave service Kall. According to
http://www.shortwaveservice.com
the UTC schedule reads as follows:
1630-1700: 9535 Russian
1800-1900: 11845 German. 1830 French
1930-2030: 9885 Czech. 2000 English
2100-2130: 9405 Spanish
All programmes are broadcast from Armenia (Dr Hansjoerg Biener, 31 August 2016, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Faintly hearing the German portion of the R. Prague special BC 11845 kHz 1800 UT August 31, 2016. 73, (Kraig, KG4LAC, Krist, Manassas, VA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Good signal for the German program on 11845 kHz as received by the U. Twente receiver just after 1800 UT (Richard Langley, NB, ibid.)

Reception Report will send via
http://www.radio.cz/en/static/qsl/qsl-cards
and
http://www.shortwaveservice.com/empfangen/qsl-bericht/
Good DX, Adam

Great copy from Armenia. First 3 minutes in German Language
https://youtu.be/4cV9szyXCpI
Best DX (Adam Poland Grzenia, 1825 UT Aug 31,
http://dxadam.blogspot.com/ ibid.)

You have the first 3 minutes, and I the last 4 - but without video..... ;-)
https://app.box.com/s/ke9zkcdyg5j9jatkjd6uoz3cqdup2fwj
(3,5 mb *.m4a)
(roger, germany, ibid.)

Signal improving as broadcast continues. Heard brief male talk in English between German and French broadcasts around 1831 UT. 73, (Kraig, KG4LAC, Krist, Manassas, VA, ibid.)

Excellent reception of Radio Prague here in Remscheid, in the German midlands NE of Cologne (S=5, -22 dBm). I used my Inverted-V antenna #2, beamed at 90 /270 with a lend ELAD FDM-S2 and my own PERSEUS connected to a Boni whip (nearly the same reception quality). Reception via Twente was not as strong as at my location (approx. 140 km S/SSE of Twente).

According to their website, Radio Prague will verify correct reception reports with this special QSL. 73, (Manfred Reiff, 1856 UT, ibid.)

11845 kHz via Gavar Armenia relay site. At 1855 UT Marseillaise, President Benesch, historic recordings of 1938year Nazi pressure against CSR, and talks CSR with France, Great Britain. Pause signal at 1858 UT. 10 kHz wide signal, excellent feed level signal from Euskirchen to Gavar Armenia. S=9+20 or -55dBm.

At 1901:53 UT mentioned the special Czech greeting "Ahoi". Transmitter off 1903:06 UT. Excellent transmission, gratulation, Christian. 73 wb df5sx (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

ADD: interesting to note that the German programme started with the OLD Radio Prague ID signal before the "Velvet Revolution", the old Czech language announcement ("Radio Praha czeskoslovensko sahranici visalni" - written as I had understood the announcement, I do not speak Czech) and their OLD station music. 73, (Manfred Reiff, ibid.)

And good reception of the Czech and English broadcast on 9885 kHz using the U. Twente receiver. Fond memories of Radio Prague going back to the mid 1960s. Recorded and may archive later but heading off to the west coast on holiday and business trip tomorrow so that will have to wait a bit (Richard Langley, NB, ibid.) See also CHINA

** EGYPT. Unscheduled transmission of Radio Cairo General Service on Aug 24
1128-1133 9965.2 ABS 200 kW / 325 deg to ENAm Mx/Arabic/dead air & off
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/unscheduled-transmission-of-radio-cairo.html
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12085.064, odd frequency, Radio Cairo Arabic service, S=9? signal in Calabria, southern Italy SDR unit station, at 0430 UT on Aug 22 some newscast started, despite the music part before 0430 UT was of tolerable quality, the spoken part from newsroom suffered heavily by feeder line distortion and signal breaks. [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, BC-DX 26 Aug via DXLD)

9685. August 25, 2016. 1938-1943, Radio Cairo, Abis, Russian, but only motorboating audio (DXer: JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Location: Cabedelo-PB, Brazil. RX (s): Degen DE1103 + Sony ICF-SW100S. Antenna: Portable Telescopic, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

9290-9300-9306-9312, Aug 27 at 0257, approx. range of motorboating spurs from 9315.0 R. Cairo transmitter, which is S7, but the spurs are more like S1, the peak being at 9306, but constantly shifting. This time there is nothing on the hi side of 9315. Some poor SSB station is trying to communicate amid this mess on 9300.

9315.0, Aug 29 at 0111, S9 R. Cairo amazingly is JBM without any motorboating or spurs! 9964.90, Aug 29 at 0117, S9+10 R. Cairo is JBM with music.

9339-9350, Aug 30 at 0134, weak pulsing probably from the 9315.0 R. Cairo transmitter which upon its own frequency is S5, much louder motorboating humroar.

9965, Aug 31 at 0103, R. Cairo is now humroaring on this frequency which is normally relatively quiet if undermodulated; with useless

Cuban pulse jamming underneath. At 0208, only motorboating at S9.

9315, Aug 31 at 0208, R. Cairo in horrible distortion of scheduled English, S8 but at least no spurs!

12085, Aug 31 at 0208, R. Cairo is S1, JBM, seems with Qur`an. Too weak to evaluate modulation quality.

BTW, Richard Langley discovered there is *another* Radio Cairo with much better audio and reception, web relay of the 95.4 FM European service, also in French, via
http://www.egradio.eg/radio.php?PubPnt=ElBernamegElOrobi&ChnName=6
Details in the next DXLD 16-35 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EGYPT. While looking for images to accompany a Radio Cairo SW recording, I came across the other Radio Cairo, the local European service of the ERTU, the Egyptian Radio and Television Union, which broadcasts on 95.4 MHz in Cairo. It identifies itself, in English, as Radio Cairo -- the Voice of Egypt, but also Cairo Radio. Claims to be the #1 station in Cairo. The station audio is streamed on the Web from an ERTU website:
http://www.egradio.eg/
("The Gateway of the Egyptian Radio") and specifically, from this URL:
http://www.egradio.eg/radio.php?PubPnt=ElBernamegElOrobi&ChnName=6

Use the Google translation facility to read the Web pages. While I was listening on 25 August, I noted they carried the BBC News and Newshour starting around 1300 UT. They carry pop music programs and documentaries as well. There was an interesting interview / documentary on the Indian struggle for independence and Indians in Egypt.

This is a multilingual station. At about 1700 UT they switched to French, calling themselves Radio Le Caire. Audio is way better than that currently being encountered from Radio Cairo SW although, at times, it is a bit overmodulated or unevenly modulated (Richard Langley, NB, Aug 27, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA. 5005, RNGE, R. Bata. Nice surprise to find them already on the air at 0431, on Aug 31; mostly with African music, with only a few announcers briefly in Spanish; poor, but better than normal; still heard at 0534 (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ERITREA [non]. Radio Assenna, Eritrean Forum --- Concerning Radio Assenna, see the just referenced video at
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DZJDriF2Fsw
("made possible by Jigsaw", about which Wikipedia has to say: "Jigsaw

has come under scrutiny for its links with the US State Department and its 'regime change' activities.")

So the producer of Radio Assenna now considers satellite as his main distribution platform (without the snippet of a programme opener the whole video would not have mentioned shortwave at all). He uses Eutelsat 8 West B, with a tight spot beam that cannot be received in Europe.

Concerning Eritrean Forum: The live stream linked at
http://www.airtime.org/internet/schedule.php
still feeds music and at times also spoken content. The Airtime.org website shows Eritrean Forum Radio for Eutelsat 8 West B (dubbed "Nilesat" for being almost co-positioned), too, and Lyngsat for its part shows yet another channel with Radio Erena in this Gulfsat mux (SID 850, APID 853).

It is remarkable, though, that
http://forumeritrea.org
is no longer being regularly updated (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Aug 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ERITREA [non]. FRANCE, Reception of Radio Al-Mukhtar via TDF Issoudun on Aug 30:
1500-1530 on 15205 ISS 100 kW / 125 deg to EaAf Arabic Tue
1530-1600 on 15205*ISS 100 kW / 125 deg to EaAf Tigrinya Tue
*co-ch BSKSA 15205 RIY 500 kW / 320 deg to WeEu Holy Quran at 1551UTC
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/reception-of-radio-al-mukhtar-via-tdf.html
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ERITREA [non]. FRANCE, Reception of Radio Adal via TDF Issoudun, Aug 31
1500-1530 15205 ISS 100 kW / 125 deg EaAf Arabic Wed/Sat, fair to good
1530-1600 15205*ISS 100 kW / 125 deg EaAf Tigrinya Wed/Sat, very weak
*co-ch BSKSA 15205 RIY 500 kW / 320 deg to WeEu Holy Quran from 1552UT
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/reception-of-radio-adal-via-tdf.html
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA. 6110, R. Fana heard nicely in So. Calif. On 8/25 from *0255 with 11-note IS to 0300 followed by woman then man announcers mentioning ìFanaî. Man in [unknown] language to 0304. Contemporary instrumental & vocal music to 0313 with a HOA flair. Female to 0314 followed by more vocal/instrumental music to 0319.5 and then man announcer. Commercial(s) or pre-recorded announcements at 0320 followed by woman. Two men talking at 0323, one with a very soft voice, to 0343. Woman heard 0344.5 to 0345 tune out. Fair level with moderate noise throughout. On 8/24, the signal was barely audible

here. Fana can be quite good at my QTH but not consistently. Posted by: ("Bruce Churchill", CA, 0047 UT Aug 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA. 7235.17v, Radio Ethiopia, 1833, talk by a [n unknown] language M, very garbled modulation and warbly transmitter. Slight het with someone low side so USB best. 26 August (David Sharp, NSW, FT-950, NRD-535D, R8, R30A, Timewave 599ZX, various Palstar and MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, various Sangean and Tecsun portables, EWE aerials, via Bob Wilkner, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA [and non]. FRANCE, Reception of Voice of Independent Oromiya via TDF Issoudun, Aug 28
1600-1630 NF 17850 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Oromo Sun plus jamming, ex 17860
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/reception-of-voice-of-independent.html

Radio Front for Independence of Oromo via TDF Issoudun, Aug 28:
1730-1800 on 17765 ISS 150 kW / 125 deg to EaAf Oromo Sun plus strong jamming
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/radio-front-for-independence-of-oromo.html
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EUROPE. KCR on air Saturday 27 Aug
From KCR ñ Key Channel Radio keyradioam@gmail.com

Dear Friend, KCRadio will be on air next Saturday 27/08/2016 on the KHz 6920 with the following schedule:
UT: 1300 to 0100. (Friday and sunday probably tests). You can listen to beautiful songs from Europe, Asia, Africa and South America. The reception reports are welcomed. Good listening from "The KCR Team" !!

Caro Amico, KCRadio sar‡ in onda il prossimo sabato 27/08/2016 con la seguente programmazione: UTC 1300 a 0100. Venerdi serae domenica mattina potremmo essere in aria con test. Potrete ascoltare meravigliose canzoni da ogni parte del Mondo! I vostri rapporti di ascolto sono i benvenuti!! Buon ascolto dal " The KCR Team" !! (via BDXC-UK yg Aug 26 via DXLD)

** EUROPE. Hi Gents: Lots more activity over the past week, Fall conditions are starting to occur, making for better listening!

PIRATE-EURO. Triple L Radio/Johnny Tobacco, 6285 AM, 2334-2357*, 08-20-16, SIO: 343. Johnny IDing as ìTriple L Radioî, playing oldies such as ìHello Mary Louî by Ricky Nelson, ìSpeedy Gonzales" by Pat Boone, Talk in English and ID 2350 UT, then into Dutch tunes. Off 2357 after close down announcement (Chris Lobdell, Tewksbury, MA USA,

Receivers: Eton E1, JRC NRD-535, Aerial: G5RV Dipole, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. Good signal of Deutscher Wetterdienst, August 30:
from 0605 on 6180 PIN 010 kW / non-dir to CeEu German CUSB
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/good-signal-of-deutscher-wetterdienst.html

Poor reception of DP07 Seewetter, August 30:
from 0730 on 9560 KLL 020 kW / non-dir to CeEu German
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/poor-reception-of-dp07-seewetter-august.html
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY [and non]. Radio Prague from Gavar, and new German DX programme --- Hi All, The Shortwave Service in Germany are carrying some more programmes from Gavar in Armenia, this time from Radio Prague in various languages, plus another broadcast from Radio. Menschen & Geschichten:

11845 1700-1800 Radio. Menschen & Geschichten 08/28/2016, via Armenia
 9535 1630-1700 Radio Prague Russian 08/31/2016, via Armenia, to Russia - still subject!
11845 1800-1830 Radio Prague Deutsch 08/31/2016, via Armenia
11845 1830-1900 Radio Prague French 08/31/2016, via Armenia
 9985 1930-2000 Radio Prague Czech 08/31/2016, via Armenia
 9985 2000-2030 Radio Prague English 08/31/2016, via Armenia
 9405 2100-2130 Radio Prague Spanish 08/31/2016, via Armenia

Channel 292 [6070, GERMANY] also sees a new weekly programme called 'DX News', and this starts at 1900 UT this coming Sunday 29th of August. This, I assume, will be in the German language:

Sunday 1900 - 2000 UT, DX News - The Media Magazine

The Media magazine reports on current events in the field of media and DX. Have your own messages or DX-observation, then we share that love with
- by phone: +49 (0) 392 92-580 110
- Email: radio @ presse -bonn.de
QSLs inquiries are welcome!
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QSL requests are welcome!
Like us on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/dasmedienmagazin/
Posted by: (Alan Gale, Aug 26, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi All, The new weekly programme on Channel 292 on Sunday evening called 'DX News - The Media Magazine' (Das Medienmagazin in German), turned out to be not one but two programmes, the first 30 minutes was a programme in German, and the second 30 minutes was the programme in English.

This will now be on weekly at 1900 UT, and was produced by the Press and Media Agency in Bonn. They don't have a website listed, but do have a Facebook page for anyone who uses that service:
https://www.facebook.com/dasmedienmagazin/
The format was a mixture of Satellite TV and radio news and music
(Alan Gale, UK, Aug 29, dxldyg via DX WORLD OF RADIO 1841, LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. 9420, Aug 27 at 0256, S8 dead air from VOG, maybe pausing before re-sign-on for 0300 morning broadcast? Not on 9935. Did not get around to rechecking after 0300 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Voice of Greece on 9420 and 9935 kHz on Aug. 30-31
Aug 30:
from 1900 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek tx#3
from 1900 on 9935 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek tx#1
Aug 31:
0600-0702 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek*tx#3
0600-0700 on 9935 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek*tx#1
*3-5 minutes of news in Serbian, Romanian, Spanish, Russian, Polish, Albanian, Italian, Arabic and music between each language.
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/voice-of-greece-on-9420-and-9935-khz-on.html
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUATEMALA. To all DXers of the world who listen to Radio Truth, I plead: If you have our QSL Cards 13 and 14 of Radio Truth in your collection, I will appreciate if you copy them and send them to me on this e-mail address:
radioverdad5@yahoo.com

It happens that we do not have those two QSL Cards on our file, and we need to. If you have them, I hope to receive your reply (…dgar AmÌlcar Madrid, General Manager, Educational and Evangelical Station, "Radio Truth", Chiquimula, Guatemala, C. A., via SW Bulletin Aug 28 via DXLD)

** GUINEA. 9650, Guinea, Radio Guinea noted 1810+ with nice hilife and occasional comments by a man. Some splatter low side but otherwise good. 26 August (David Sharp, NSW, FT-950, NRD-535D, R8, R30A, Timewave 599ZX, various Palstar and MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, various Sangean and Tecsun portables, EWE aerials, via Bob Wilkner, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** GUINEA CONAKRY. 9650, Radio Guinea Conakry, 1745-1910, 26-08, African songs, French, comments, at 1800 identification: "Radio GuinÈe", vernacular comments, at 1900 news, French. 34433.

Also 0732-0754, 27-08, French, Catholic religious program. 34433 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Reinante and Lugo, Tecsun PL-880, Sangean ATS-909X, Cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9650, Aug 27 at 2337, very poor S6 signal and seems undermodulated, in French? presumed still R. GuinÈe, until carrier cut about 2401:20*. I`ve yet to hear it signing on as early as 0600 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

GUINEA CONAKRY [and non]. 9650.001, Radio Guinea Conakry, S=9+20dB or -53dBm signal, fair to read and listen, B U T at 1843 UT, sudden adjacent channel QRM by Vatican Radio SMG 'Rosary' transmission on 9645.004 kHz, tremendous S=9+45 dB powerhouse. QRM [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (wb df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 28)(Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

** INDIA. GOOD BYE JAWHAR SIRCAR, SUNIL ARORA LIKELY TO BE NEXT CEO

What Jaitley could not achieve Venkiah Naidu did with political swiftness to dislodge Jawhar Sircar the overweening CEO Prasar Bharati who was lately heard in many controversies with his own officers. News emanating from Ministry confirms that Sircar has already moved papers and he in all probability would cease office after Puja festival Ö In another related development Sunil Arora former Secretary I & B has taken over as OSD indicating the choice of Government as the new CEO.

Insiders in Prasar Bharati are already taking him as the incoming CEO and staff over all is happy at the new change. Not that Sunil Arora is a tested professional but it was a change everyone was wanting. Jawhar Sircar somehow could not come out of his fixated ideas and little realizing that media demanded flexibility and not imposition of diktats of a bureaucrat that were resisted.

Sunil Arora has a gigantic task to rebuild the organization taking support from in house professionals though he too shall have to grapple with his training as a bureaucrat and the inherited stiff

necked approach. It is an interesting study as to why all bureaucrat CEOs fail in Prasar Bharati and most getting embroiled in controversies and illegalities that could have been avoided. One need to open window and get dressed as a media person if one has to succeed ... Letís wait and see, how the new candidate braces for his assignment!

http://indianbuzz.com/bureaucracy/doordarshan-good-bye-jawhar-sircar-sunil-arora-likely-to-be-next-ceo/#sthash.IsKAnpdk.dpbs
---- (via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, Aug 26, dx_india yg via DXLD)

** INDIA. West Bengal to renamed as Bengal --- West Bengal state of India is to be renamed as Bengal; Read more details in:
http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/West-Bengal-to-be-renamed-as-Bengal/articleshow/53909571.cms
Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India, Aug 29, dx_india yg via DXLD)

** INDIA. Update on Akashwani Maitree channel program --- Monitoring of the new Akashwani Maitree channel on 594 kHz beamed to Bangladesh shows that all the programs are not in Bengali.
The schedule is as follows: (UT)
0030-0230 Bengali
0230-0245 Home Service News in Hindi
0245-0300 Home Service News in English
0300-0830 Bengali
0830-0845 Home Service News in English
0845-0900 Home Service News in Hindi
1000-1515 Bengali
1515-1530 Home Service News in Hindi
1530-1545 Home Service News in English
1545-1600 Spotlight program in English
1600-1730 Bengali

Live streaming of Akashwani Maitree channel is available in:
http://airworldservice.org/responsive-audio-player/bangla.php#
Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India, dx_india yg via DXLD) see UNIDENTIFIED 594!

594 kHz with Akashvani Maitree --- Thank you for keeping us informed about this important development in cross border broadcasting. Could you please provide additional information on the following topics:1. It was reported that other AIR external services would be broadcast on 604 kHz in digital DRM. I know that there were test broadcasts in DRM, but you don't mention it.

2, It was reported that Bangladesh Betar would provide at least on major news programme. It should be worth while noting, when the

project indeed becomes a joint venture.

3, I read on some Indian news websites that the presence of Chinese external broadcasting in Bengali was a concern and led to the considerations for a re-establishment of a major Bengali channel. I wonder whether this argument was mentioned in more recent reports. Thank you very much in advance (Hansjoerg Biener, Aug 30 dx_india yg via DXLD)

** INDIA. 4970, AIR Shillong, 1342, Aug 28. In English with interview with an author; semi-readable.

5050, AIR Aizawl, 1336, Aug 28. Mixing with Guangxi Beibu Bay Radio (China); both about equal strength; AIR with comedy and BBR with singing (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 4869.88, Pro 1 RRI Wamena, 1207-1307, Aug 25 (Thursday). Jakarta news relay // 3325, Pro 1 RRI Palangkaraya and // 3344.86, RRI Ternate; ending at 1227 with patriotic song; after which no longer //; 1229 "Programa Satu RRI Wamena" ID.

1235-1303, with the Thursday only edition of Kang Guru Indonesia ("KGI") in mostly English, but a few short segments in Bahasa Indonesia; much stronger than normal reception; QRN (static); still tough to make out a lot of what was said; many KGI IDs; one listener told of collecting "KGI Magzines" since 2008; segment "Good neighbors make good friends," discussing differences between Australia and Indonesia as to whether to walk or ride.

Recently it has become clear that a major change was happening at KGI. Their extensive website was recently drastically downsized. Seemed like the Indonesia Australia Language Foundation (IALF) was taking over. At the KGI website, I see that KGI has now completely stopped producing any new radio programs.

The final show was produced back in June. The program heard today was an earlier production. We can only hope that RRI stations will continue to recycle these older programs well into the future.

Have listened to these programs going back to when it was Kang Guru Radio English ("KGRE") and even before that with "Kang Guru II Radio English," in 1976, when Greg Clough was the original "Kaptain Kang Guru." Am sad that they will no longer have any new shows. Has been very entertaining listening to them over these past 40 years! (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 9525.9, VOI, 1355, Aug 28. Recently doing fairly well; English segment; gave contact info for VOI (Ron Howard, Calif.,

dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9525.888, Aug 30 at 1306, VOI is S4 with a bit of undermodulated music when it should be an `Exotic Indonesia` Tuesday broadcast in English. Unable to copy anything, as usual, I instead measure its offness as closely as possible (plus/minus 2 Hz?).

So via the newly updated by Alan Roe WOR HITLIST,
http://www.w4uvh.net/hitlist.htm
I look at their website which gives the impression that this is a funxional ``world service`` (maybe it is, on the Internet). Here`s their limited expectation for SW coverage:

``In Africa, the Middle East, South Asia, South-East and East Asia it is possible to listen to VOI Audio Service through much of the day using a short wave radio. To find out more about short wave visit our short wave information guide. To find out what frequency you need to tune your radio to, go to our Frequency Charts.``

I was really looking for info about a listener contest with prizes of a free trip to Indonesia, but none found this year, just:
http://en.voi.co.id/voi-program-highlight/11510-rri-71-anniversary

``In conjunction with RRI's 71st anniversary on September 11, we invite all listeners of Voice of Indonesia who want to convey their wishes to send their greetings to us in the form of audio, video, text or pictures in English, French, Spanish, German, Japanese, Indonesian, Chinese and Arabic languages to voi@voi.co.id or Facebook messenger Voice of Indonesia by September 5, 2016. We'll publish and air your greetings on facebook and our social medias. Thank you`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ITALY. MRI moves its weekly broadcasts from Wednesdays to Thursdays - schedule for broadcasts of September 1, 2016

Please be advised that as from September of this year, our weekly broadcasts from Wednesdays move to Thursdays. Here is the schedule for the first Thursday transmissions of MRI on 1 September 2016:
1600-1800 UT on 7700 kHz (USB mode),
1815-1915 UT on 15070 kHz (USB mode) and
1930-2130 UT on 9300 kHz (USB Mode).

Our broadcasts include some kind of programmes now sadly missing from most shortwave radio stations: an old style DX show in English ìItalian Short Wave Panoramaî (there is also the Italian version called ìPanorama Onde Corteî) with lot of recent logs as well as a mailbag show (ìLa Posta degli ascoltatoriî) in Italian. Our station identification announcements are not only in English and Italian but

also in French, German, Romanian, Spanish and Catalan.

For the first time in our history a Facebook page about our station has been introduced. It is called "MRI World" and can be found at this web address:
https://www.facebook.com/mriworld
- Although it is still far from being completed you can leave your comments and suggestions. MRI encourages reception reports from listeners. Audio clips (mp3-file) of our broadcasts are welcome! We QSL 100%. Our electronic mail address is: marconiradiointernational@ gmail.com - Please donít forget to include your postal address as some lucky listeners will also receive a printed QSL card.

Last but not least, we need your help! If you use social networks, please post an announcement on Facebook or send out a tweet the day before the broadcast. You can also forward this message to a friend. This should help increase our potential audience. We hope to hear from a lot of shortwave listeners about our transmissions. Best 73's (Marconi Radio International (MRI), Aug 29, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST

** ITALY [non]. LOG: IBC Digital 2016-08-31, 2030-2100z, 6070 kHz
=====>
OGNI MERCOLEDI' 20.30-21.00 UTC 6070 KHZ IN MFSK 32 (1500 Hz) E IN OLIVIA 16-500 (2200 Hz)
http://www.rhci-online.net/radiogram/VoA_Radiogram_2016-08-27.htm#IBC
u.a. mit einem: "IMMAGINE DI UNA QSL ORIGINALE DEL 1982"

Querverweis zu einem Portr%t/article von Radio IBC:
http://www.vozandes.net/scripts/ALP.php

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http://www.vozandes.net/ALP1631.H.mp3 ab ca. Minute 11.00s ....
FMKuno-Portr%t/article/ Radio IBC Part 1
http://www.vozandes.net/ALP1632.H.mp3 ab ca. Minute 10.50s ....
FMKuno-Portr%t/article/ Radio IBC Part 2

R¸ckblick zu: "LA STORIA DI IBC - ITALIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION"
http://www.rhci-online.net/radiogram/VoA_Radiogram_2016-06-25.htm#IBC
(roger, Germany, dxldyg via DXLD)

** KASHMIR [non]. See PAKISTAN

** KIRIBATI. 1440, Radio Kiribati, 0910 27 August, noted in SBS null with island music, only brief comments by woman, fair (David Sharp, NSW, FT-950, NRD-535D, R8, R30A, Timewave 599ZX, various Palstar and MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, various Sangean and Tecsun portables, EWE aerials, via Bob Wilkner, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH. 2850, Korean Central Broadcasting Station, 1105 to 1115 noted first time this season with some audio 25 August (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, dxsf 1981 - 2016, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH. KOREA D.P.R., Somebody mixed up the languages on feeder between Pyongyang and Kujang broadcast center this UT morning. Spanish heard on 15105v, and English on 15180 in 0530-0630 UT time slot.

15104.976, very odd frequency, V of Korea Kujang, in Spanish! language at 0545 UT on Aug 25. \\ 11735.004 and 13759.997 kHz. they had problems with main power ? - though noted some transmission breaks in 0530 to 0600 UT slot.

15179.990, South East Asia service in English here, had march music at same time around 0545 UT, and then again at 0603 UT, \\ 13649.997 kHz. [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [and non]. All three RA on air at 1045 UT Aug 30, 9580, 12065 and 12085 kHz, heard at Nagoya and Kyoto remote units.

31 mb range 9522 to 9618 kHz heavily disturbed of BUBBLE type jamming of - probably - D.P.R. North Koreans, against KBS Korean service at 09-11 UT of 9570 kHz center frequency. 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH [non]. USA, 9605. August 25, 2016. 0200-0215, World Harvest Radio International, Furman-SC, in English. Male announcer talks, ID and presents USA Radio News; At 0206, invitation to hear a religious program relay WHRI, all in Spanish. Very good signal and modulation, 45444 (DXer: JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Location: Cabedelo-PB, Brazil. RX (s): Degen DE1103 + Sony ICF-SW100S. Antenna: Portable Telescopic, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** LATVIA? 9301.0 2111-... 21/8 LVA ? Free R Service Holland - pir. E, pops, tks. // 6300.1 45444 CG (Carlos GonÁalves, Rx & site: JRC NRD-545DSP & PERSEUS sdr; Quantum Phaser, homemade amp.(W7IUV version); raised, 4 loop K9AY, 6x19x6 m Ewe 135∫, 14 m low noise LF/MF Vertical. Lisbon via PlayDX blog via DXLD) Is Latvia any more than a wild guess based on old frequency usage? (gh, DXLD)

** LIBERIA. 6049.994, ELWA Radio Liberia, English tentative, at 1837 UT on Aug 28, poor and tiny S=5-6 or -90dBm [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (wb df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug

28)(Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

** MADAGASCAR. 17640, Aug 30 at 1817 check, no signal from MWV/APR in English, sporadic broadcast gone again. Transmitter keeps breaking down? Propagation OK, as 17885 BBC ASC in French is in.

6190, Aug 31 at 0206, no signal from La Voz Alegre, Spanish service of MWV. Was also missing earlier from 17640 after 1800 Aug 30, so are both transmitters down now? 6150 also AWOL at 0351 during consecutive Spanish hour. 9480 also missing at 0402 during other hour of African Pathways Radio (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MADAGASCAR. MWV schedule requested: Planned MWV - a lot of Madagascar entries under MDG MWV WCB tentatively in B-16 winter season

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 9710 0100 0200 41,42S 100 40 15 218 Eng
 7390 0200 0300 12-13,14N,14SE,15 100 250 -15 218 Spa
 7390 0300 0400 12 100 265 0 218 Spa
15670 0300 0400 41,42S 100 40 -15 218 Eng
11825 0400 0500 36SE,37,38W,46,47W 100 295 -30 218 Eng
17530 0400 0500 43,44W,49NW 100 55 -15 218 Chn
 9570 1800 1900 19,20,29,30W 100 355 30 218 Rus
17640 1800 1900 36SE,37,38W,46,47W 100 310 -15 218 Eng
 9540 1900 2000 19,20,29,30W 100 355 30 218 Rus
11945 1900 2000 38E,39,40NW,40S,48N100 355 30 218 Ara
13710 2000 2100 38,46NE,47N 100 340 15 218 Ara
17640 2000 2100 36SE,37,38W,46,47W 100 295 -30 218 Eng
11610 2100 2200 27S,28SW,37N 100 325 0 218 Chn
 9535 2200 2300 43,44W,49NW 100 55 30 218 Chn
11790 2200 2300 38,46NE,47N 100 325 0 218 Ara (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc
BC-DX TopNews Aug 22, via BDXC-UK yg via DXLD) or by frequency:

 7390 0200 0300 12-13,14N,14SE,15  100 250 -15 218 Spa
 7390 0300 0400 12                 100 265   0 218 Spa
 9535 2200 2300 43,44W,49NW        100  55  30 218 Chn
 9540 1900 2000 19,20,29,30W       100 355  30 218 Rus
 9570 1800 1900 19,20,29,30W       100 355  30 218 Rus
 9710 0100 0200 41,42S             100  40  15 218 Eng [no RHC then?]
11610 2100 2200 27S,28SW,37N       100 325   0 218 Chn
11790 2200 2300 38,46NE,47N        100 325   0 218 Ara
11825 0400 0500 36SE,37,38W,46,47W 100 295 -30 218 Eng
11945 1900 2000 38E,39,40NW,40S,48N100 355  30 218 Ara
13710 2000 2100 38,46NE,47N        100 340  15 218 Ara
15670 0300 0400 41,42S             100  40 -15 218 Eng
17530 0400 0500 43,44W,49NW        100  55 -15 218 Chn
17640 1800 1900 36SE,37,38W,46,47W 100 310 -15 218 Eng
17640 2000 2100 36SE,37,38W,46,47W 100 295 -30 218 Eng
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(via wb, DXLD)

** MALAYSIA. 6050, Asyik FM (via RTM Kajang) 1310-1406+ 22 August. Malay pop, DJ chat with phone calls, occasional "Radio Malaysia" mentions + a few jingles/promos that I can't quite dig out the "Asyik". Malay pop through TOH with echo announcement. Mentioning Kuching at 1405. First day back?

1245-1330+ 23 August. Doing well today with Malay pop, several Asyik FM jingles/promos (including a nice "Radio Malaysia, Asyik FM") and starting Bollywood music program (same program as heard in late July on 11665, so perhaps what I heard then was Asyik subbing for usual Wai programming) and one more:

1340-1400+ 24 August. Malay "c&w"-style music program with usual phone calls, chatty DJ using "moinamoi" phrase often (as well as "madu madu" [honey honey]..), no luck finding "moinamoi" with the online ML-English dictionary; any Malay speakers out there?

Update 1315+ 26 August. Asyik with good carrier and almost no modulation; hope this is just a one-off problem (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA PL380/6m X wire [v.2.0]), DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6050, Asyik FM, via Kajang, on Aug 26 heard open carrier, which would be consistent with the signal strength for Asyik FM; at 1146 no audio at all; by 1352 heard very faint audio; yes, was Asyik FM for sure, but signal was almost all strong open carrier, very weak modulation.

9835, Sarawak FM, 1900-1940, Aug 28. In vernacular; playing pop songs; // 11665, which was a relay of Sarawak FM; both equal strength. Rare that I listen at this time.

BTW - After the reactivation of Asyik FM on 6050, on Aug 22, have been checking for other stations returning to SW, but as of Aug 28, both Radio Klasik (5965) and Traxx FM (7295) both remain silent. Now 7295 has Radio Sakha (Russia) broadcasting there (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6050, Asyik FM, via Kajang. Aug 29, not a good day here; nice audio at 1004, but several times later found with only open carrier and no audio; then at other times with audio back up to a good level; erratic (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, Last year on Aug 30, I listened to a major speech given by the Malaysian PM Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak. Some of my audio from last year at
http://goo.gl/NB1j1C
with some English, but mostly in vernacular.

This year he will again give a "National Day Message" at a gathering at Merdeka Hall, Putra World Trade Centre, in Kuala Lumpur. This important event will start at 1300 UT on Aug 30.

Last year`s coverage was via 6050 (Asyik FM) // 9835 (Sarawak FM) // 11665 (Wai FM), all via Kajang. This year`s special broadcast should also be via the same stations. Full story at
http://goo.gl/mHdS5H

"He said leaders and public figures would be invited to attend the event which would start from 9pm. [1300 UT]

Besides being broadcast live on local television as well as radio stations including Bernama News Channel (BNC) and Bernama Radio, the event would also be streamed live via the Bernama web, Zulkefli added.

He said the event would start with singing of the national anthem 'Negaraku', video clip display as well as recitation of prayers by renowned speaker Datuk Kazim Elias....

The National Day Message was among the programmes being drawn up for this year's National Day celebration..." (Ron Howard, California, 0544 UT Aug 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, Aug 30 - Yes, the PM did indeed address the nation of Malaysia. Tuned in at 1311 to hear the speech already in progress on 9835 (Sarawak FM) // 11665 (Wai FM). Unfortunately 6050 (Asyik FM) had another day of only strong open carrier (no audio from them, but very faint audio underneath the carrier from probably Tibet).

Speech mostly in vernacular, with sprinkling of English words ("Global economy . . . global competition . . . Moments of Unity") Briefly in English, per attached audio clip. Speech ended at 1354 and stations then no longer //. News item -
http://goo.gl/OnbGP3
(Ron Howard, ibid.)

I do not see that my audio clip was posted here for some reason. Therefor please give a listen at
https://app.box.com/s/x32fbt71zl3dm3rl32k09lepfbx9oiaw
(Ron Howard, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALI. Russia No, Mali Yes --- Have been trying to see if I can log Radio Sakha on 7295 kHz using the U. Twente receiver. Have been automatically recording 6-hour chunks of audio and then scrubbing through them. On 24/25 August, I recorded from about 2100 to 0300 UT. No sign of Yakutsk but I did log CRI in Chinese with a late sign-on at

about 2305 with the program in progress. Sign-off occurred at about 2358. According to HFCC documents and others, the transmitter is in Bamako, Mali, rated at 100 kW and the antenna is a quadrant, which is essentially omnidirectional. I suppose this broadcast is targeted at Chinese technicians, aid workers, and military personnel working in Africa (Richard Langley, Aug 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALI. 5995. August 27, 2016. 1936-1941, RTV du Mali, Bamako. Open carrier and female announcer talks, in very rare moments, with barely audible modulation (DXer: JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Cabedelo-PB, Brazil (UTC-3), RX (s): Sony ICF-SW100S, Antenna: Portable Telescopic, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD) As usual, almost always? (gh)

** MEXICO. 680, Aug 29 at 1207, ``informaciÛn de Sinaloa``, 6:07 timecheck, opening newscast, i.e. XEORO, Guasave, 1000/500 watts per IRCA Mexican Log 2015 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. Re: 1470 XERCN Tijuana --- Just wanted to follow up on this. The format is more than EE pop/ROK. This from the Uniradio website.

Radio Tijuana - Uniradio - LÌder en el noroeste de MÈxico y sur de California
http://www.uniradio.com/radio/tijuana

Radio Tijuana. En Uniradio ofrecemos una plataforma multimedia ˙nica en la regiÛn. Con 13 estaciones de radio, 5 portales de noticias y 1 canal de televisiÛn por ca...

RCN 1470 es la frecuencia que est· siempre contigo. Con noticieros enfocados en la informaciÛn ˙til para sus habitantes, programas donde atendemos sus inquietudes, espacios en los cuales hacemos valer su opiniÛn, RCN 1470 es la radio que escucha a los tijuanenses (via Martin Foltz, CA, Aug 28, ABDX via DXLD)

So far I haven't caught any music on this station, but I have heard some Spanish religious programs I hadn't noted previously. Also they seem to have cleaned up their signal a bit. For the past 5 years or so they have been the widest, sloppiest signal on the San Diego radio dial by far. 73 (Tim Hall, CA, Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone, Aug 29, ABDX via DXLD)

** MEXICO. RAYMIE`S MEXICO BEAT this week ---

XHUNAM could be in for a long-desired power increase, transforming it from a 200-watt experimental station to a potential new full-power station in the nation's capital.

That's what Nicol·s Alvarado, director of TV UNAM, told Revista ZÛcalo last week. The university is interested in an ERP boost for the station (and probably a transmitter relocation) as well as acquiring a new post-production mobile unit. Last edited by Raymie; 08-25-2016 at 02:54 PM (Raymie Humbert, Phúnix AZ, August 25, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Just when you thought all was well in Imagen-land, we get this headline: "Residents of Copilco protest against Grupo Imagen heliport" http://elbigdata.mx/city/protestan-vecinos-de-copilco-contra-helipuerto-de-grupo-imagen/

Copilco is the neighborhood immediately to the north of Ciudad Universitaria, the UNAM campus. It contains the old Hermanos V·zquez furniture store, which is being converted into Imagen's new studio facilities. (They already owned the property, so that was easy! The complex also now contains offices for Prodemex, also owned by Olegario V·zquez RaÒa, as well as a Banco Multiva branch. The furniture store closed in 2013 in order to downsize.) http://www.notimueble.com.mx/electronico/378/files/assets/downloads/page0006.pdf

Why are residents so upset? Locals are concerned about noise and RF pollution ó the noise from the helicopters and all the RF thrown out by the communications equipment. They claim the heliport would exceed SEMARNAT standards for noise levels in residential and school zones. As local authorities were not receptive to their complaints, the neighbors instead took it to the streets, carrying a massive sign reading "NO AL PROYECTO GRUPO IMAGEN MULTIMEDIA" and choking off Avenida Universidad, a major thoroughfare.

As it turns out, there are quite a few residents, with some rather large apartment complexes backing up to the facility.

In addition, there are worries about the electrical equipment that will need to be installed at the site. A new electrical substation would be added, with fuel tanks that, according to neighbors, would sit directly next to the gas lines feeding the apartments, carrying with it an ever-constant risk of explosion (Raymie, August 26, ibid.)

100,000 more televisions. As the last phase of the apagÛn analÛgico nears, there are still TVs to be delivered to rural communities. http://mediatelecom.com.mx/index.php/radiodifusion/television/item/116176-entregar%C3%A1-la-sct-100-mil-teles-para-apag%C3%B3n

The main reason they haven't been delivered earlier in 2016 is because of, you guessed it, elections. More details are apparently coming in the days to come. For that matter, we know nothing about almost any of the shadows that are being built. It's basically Televisa and the state networks that are the bulk of this. XHABC, one of the largest

holdouts, is to go digital next month. And the Michoac·n state network? (Raymie, Aug 27, ibid.)

We have an updated version of one of the principal data tables on TV, the Multiprogramming List. It is dated Friday:
http://www.ift.org.mx/sites/default/files/contenidogeneral/comunicacion-y-medios/20160826multiprogramacionv05hc.pdf
(Raymie, Aug 28, ibid.)

It begins: TV and radio ads are rolling out for the "Toma El Control - Reprograma Tu Tele" campaign about virtual channel changes.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QICzoBWG-Gg
http://rtc.gob.mx/pautas/audios2013/RDF3552016_IFT_TELEVISION%20DIGITAL%20TERRESTRE%202016%20REPROGRAMA%20TU%20TELE_UNICA.mp3

Azteca is also running scrolls indicating their channel changes.
Last edited by Raymie; 08-29-2016 at 01:13 PM (Raymie, Aug 28, ibid.)

http://lopezdoriga.com/nacional/imagen-television-sera-el-canal-3/

This is a muddled report, and I think there are some crossed wires here. It confirms Imagen TelevisiÛn will be channel 3 nationwide (confirming the name and our suspicions) but says it won't go on the air until VC-Day. I don't know about that. I think someone is confused here. Even @GrupoImagenM seems confused.
https://twitter.com/GrupoImagenM/status/770667534408310784

(That said, the number of outlets saying this is growing, making me think this may actually happen.)

Ciro GÛmez Leyva, who will anchor Imagen's flagship newscast, tweeted the news that the "third national network, Imagen TelevisiÛn, will use channel 3".
https://twitter.com/CiroGomezL/status/770619655874502658
Last edited by Raymie; 08-30-2016 at 06:52 PM. (Raymie, Aug 30, ibid.)

Imagen's List Grows Longer --- We got a doozy today in the RPC: MORE IMAGEN STATIONS! No technical info is available.

XHCTSA (RF 26) Saltillo
XHCTMD (RF 22) MÈrida
XHCTMY (RF 22) Monterrey
XHCTLV (RF 16) La Venta-Coatzacoalcos
XHCTSL (RF 33) San Luis PotosÌ
XHCTDG (RF 24) Durango
XHCTCU (RF 33) Cuernavaca
XHCTCO (RF 27) Colima

XHCTTR (RF 24) TorreÛn-GÛmez Palacio
XHCTCH (RF 29) Chihuahua Capital
XHCTTO (RF 14) Toluca
XHCTLM (RF 33) Los Mochis-Guasave
XHCTCI (RF 33) Culiac·n
XHCTCY (RF 15) Celaya-Guanajuato-Qro.
XHCTMZ (RF 21) Mazatl·n
XHCTME (RF 17) Mexicali
XHCTHE (RF 28) Hermosillo

With this, Ju·rez and Tijuana are still missing among the Trip 7. There were 14 stations in the RPC, and we now have a total of 31.

Other large omissions are Aguascalientes, LeÛn, Xalapa, Puerto de Veracruz, and San CristÛbal-Tuxtla GutiÈrrez.

In terms of states that are missing, Imagen will have no presence in service areas for Aguascalientes, Baja California Sur, Chiapas or Nayarit ó though nominally serving 28 of 32 states is an important head start for Imagen (though some states, like Tlaxcala or QuerÈtaro, may be hard pressed to actually receive Imagen TV at launch). The La Venta area's transmitter will probably be Coatzacoalcos (as Ixmiquilpan's was put in Pachuca and most of the rest of the service area is duplicated by Villahermosa).

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We also have a late report that the Guadalajara transmitter was turned on tonight with, you guessed it, color bars.
Last edited by Raymie; 08-30-2016 at 11:13 PM. (Raymie, Aug 30, ibid.)

ANALYSIS: IMAGEN DOUBLES ITS SHOPPING LIST

With the update of the RPC to include 17 more Imagen transmitters, the priorities seem set for a national network launch in just over 30 cities.

There are exceptions, and some odd inclusions (Chilpancingo, Cd. Victoria), but Imagen is plating a pretty strong opening menu for its national network.

When the technical parameters were released for 13 of the first 14 stations, we discussed that Imagen was using seven SPR sites and one Multimedios facility, with several new builds in cities where the SPR has not built, such as Pachuca, Acapulco, Canc˙n, and even Tampico.

With the next batch of cities revealed, it's time to indulge in a bit of speculation.

Where the SPR Has Not Gone Before

There are SPR cities in the mix here: MÈrida, Monterrey, Coatzacoalcos*, Colima, Toluca, Mazatl·n, Hermosillo, and Celaya-QuerÈtaro (both!). But the SPR is simply not enough to get Imagen what it needs in this mix.

TorreÛn, San Luis, and Chihuahua present the potential for using Multimedios facilities. In the latter two, MM only operates radio stations, and particularly in San Luis it may not be feasible to use their site. In TorreÛn, however, MM has a television station on Cerro de las Noas, and in Chihuahua Capital, there is a large self-supporting tower at their facilities.

Don't Forget Imagen Radio

There are also Imagen Radio stations of interest for new sites, or potential new TV-FM towers like the company has planned in Canc˙n.

This could be the case particularly in Saltillo, Hermosillo, TorreÛn, QuerÈtaro and San Miguel de Allende (we'll touch that one later), Monterrey, Mexicali, and Chihuahua.

Some of the sites may not be feasible, given they were designed for FM. XHCHI Chihuahua is kind of out of town and nowhere near the TV stations closer to town. The same could be said for Hermosillo's XHHLL, which last year filed to move to Cerro Bachoco and cut its ERP. (At the same time, a new facility may indicate preparations for a Hermosillo TV station.)

XHMIG and XHOZ present a special case. As mentioned earlier, the Celaya-QuerÈtaro area could require as many as five transmitters to properly service. Imagen owns two FMs in the service area.

XHOZ and its former sister XHOE are located on a ridge 16 km north of Cerro El Cimatario, with one guyed tower. This is a suitable site for a QuerÈtaro shadow. However, the service area may be better served with a tower in Guanajuato.

Unfortunately, XHMIG is not in the appropriate location. It's 33 km from the center of Celaya, because it was built to serve its community of license, San Miguel de Allende. (XHMIG, though, has identified as a Celaya station in the past, particularly in the 90s when it was known as FantasÌa 106.) Eventually, Imagen may find it advantageous to put a shadow here. Even Televisa needs shadows to reach San Miguel, it's a decently developed town, and they already own a tower.

Vestirse de Guinda

There are some cities where neither the SPR, Multimedios, or Imagen's radio towers are viable options. Chihuahua Capital, Cuernavaca, Culiac·n, Durango, Los Mochis, San Luis PotosÌ...potentially Saltillo. If only someone owned stations in ALL those cities!

Well, someone does.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dMBfUyNXlKw

I didn't think Imagen would turn to the SPR to build its stations. But since it has, the next logical partner is a group that has no overlap with the SPR outside of Mexico City. That would be the Instituto PolitÈcnico Nacional.

The IPN's network of transmitter facilities is fairly new. Only two stations of the ones I've listed existed in the 90s: Cuernavaca and San Luis PotosÌ. (Tijuana and Valle del Bravo were also built in the 90s.) The IPN's repeater network is a product of the 2000s and even early 2010s, and in some cases, there has been recent and significant investment related to digital television.

In Saltillo, Google Street View reveals that in converting to digital, the IPN built XHSCE a new tower. In Durango, we see that the IPN's build is so recent a 2009 shot shows empty land where a 2014 visit presents us with a small Canal Once transmitter facility. The same occurred with GÛmez Palacio, built on Cerro de la Pila with some other communications towers and a statue of Pancho Villa. (If I were Imagen, I'd skip this one and try and build on Cerro de las Noas.)

I can see this unlikely marriage. After all, Mexico 2016 is sometimes where the unthinkable happens. Indigenous radio stations! Donald Trump meeting Enrique PeÒa Nieto! Imagen using the SPR's towers! (Raymie, August 31, ibid.)

Well, apparently a list of virtual channels is out in the RPC and I cannot find it at all. I'm seeing a few interesting reports.

[with hotlinx to pdf for each entry in the original post:]
http://forums.wtfda.org/showthread.php?9113-OPMA-is-changing&p=41161#post41161

That said, we're also close to getting the technical parameters for those new Imagen stations. Some document links are showing up but giving 404 Not Found, which in my experience means we're very close to getting them.

The count has gone up to 32 with Ciudad ObregÛn making an appearance.
...And here they are! TorreÛn is missing, sadly.

Saltillo (XHCTSA/26): 50 kW ERP from 25 24'21", -101 00'18" -

tower shared with XHRP-FM

MÈrida (XHCTMD/22): From the SPR tower, 60 kW from 20 55'57.23", -89 34'42.81"

Monterrey (XHCTMY/22): Shared with XHSRO-FM (MVS Radio!) 130 kW from Cerro El Mirador - 25 37'30", -100 19'10"

La Venta-Coatzacoalcos (XHCTLV/16): 80 kW ERP from the SPR tower in Coatzacoalcos (18 08'03.99", -94 26'26.18")

San Luis PotosÌ (XHCTSL/33): 29.743 kW ERP from Venustiano Carranza 985 Col. Moderna (22 09'01.41", -100 59'15.1"). This is a tall building that used to house the stick for XHPM when it was owned by MVS Radio (I'm not sure if it's still there). GlobalMedia now owns XHPM.

Durango (XHCTDG/24): On the XHDGO tower (!) with 37.485 kW ERP. 24 01'15.8", -104 41'05.34"

Cuernavaca (XHCTCU/23): Av. Universidad 150 with 80 kW. 18 58'05.67", -99 14'34.30", shared with XHVZ-XHCT-FM. MVS Radio Cuernavaca is located at Av. Universidad 153.

Colima (XHCTCO/27): I forgot this one. Imagen owns XHCC-FM, and that's where it's going! 50 kW from Cerro la Cumbre, 19 10'56", -103 41'37".

Chihuahua Capital (XHCTCH/29): From the XHCHI tower on Cerro El Coronel (28 38'48", -106 03'00") with 52.761 kW ERP.

Toluca (XHCTTO/14): 19 13'39", -99 40'29.18" with 26.261 kW. There's something there, but it's not the SPR.

Los Mochis (XHCTLM/33): On the XHSIM tower (25 48'28.11", -108 58'09.36") with 50.496 kW.

Culiac·n (XHCTCI/33): On the XHSIN tower (24 47'01.3", -107 23'50.1") with 100 kW.

QuerÈtaro (XHCTCY/15): On Cerro El Cimatario in QuerÈtaro (20 31'44.32", -100 21'43.11") at 150 kW. NOT the SPR tower. Sorry Celaya!

NEW TODAY: Ciudad ObregÛn (XHCTOB/24): On the SPR tower at Cerro Las CabaÒas (27 26'42.7", -109 46'44.1") with 120 kW ERP.

Mazatl·n (XHCTMZ/21): On the SPR tower on Cerro NeverÌa

(23 12'02.4", -106 25'41.6") with 34.656 kW ERP.

Mexicali (XHCTME/17): On a mountain southwest of Mexicali (32 31'34", -115 35'49") with 150 kW. Shared with XHILA-TDT.

Hermosillo (XHCTHE/28): On Cerro Bachoco (29 07'49.2", -110 56'11.2") with 100 kW. This is the newly minted XHHLL-FM site.

Last edited by Raymie; 09-01-2016 at 01:16 PM. (Raymie, Aug 31, ibid.)

Someday, when all of the dust settles from the MX DTV conversion, I'd like to compile a list of DTVs nearest to the US. I used to see the Matamoros / Reynosa (925-ish mi) analog TVs on a fairly regular basis. It would be nice to put some MX DTVs in the log. 73, (Ed NN2E, Owner / Operator - Murphy's Law Test Site & Thunderstorm Proving Grounds, Aug 31, ibid.)

You could probably do that now, as almost all of the dust of the conversion itself is settled and the stuff going on is only indirectly related. Best way to start would be by downloading the IFT TV tables and checking the coordinates. Doug's tables also list shadows we know of (Raymie, Aug 31, ibid.)

Watch out shadows, there's a new sheriff in town.

The RPC uploaded information on changes to shadow XHBD Aguascalientes earlier this year,
http://rpc.ift.org.mx/rpc/pdfs/38770_160602232327_6124.pdf
and is it a doozy. It's the highest-powered shadow in the country, a 225 kW station that by Mexican standards is serious business. It had been a puny 10 kW station (Raymie, UT Sept 1, ibid.)

The list should now be almost fully up to date. Please let me know of any glaring omissions.

Note that 6 is being left empty. I suspect this is in the event that IFT-6 creates a fourth national network. XETV has been allowed to keep 6, but no other 6s have been spotted in the wild. Rather, local stations are being pushed to 4, 8, 10 and 12. There are also a handful of locals on 9 in cities where Gala TV's presence will be elsewhere.

Durango will have channels 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13. Now that's insane.

MEXICAN VIRTUAL CHANNEL ASSIGNMENTS AFTER VC-DAY

As reported on the Mexico forum and by the broadcasters themselves. Will be updated as assignments are in. You can find virtual channels

in the RPC as of August 31. Yes, border cities are involved.

2
National: Las Estrellas
incl. XHKW Morelia and both XHUT and XHTK in Cd. Victoria

3
National: Imagen

4
XHTV (Mexico City)
XEFB (Monterrey)
XHBC (Mexicali)
XHST (MÈrida)
XHKG (Tepic)
XHLEG (Guanajuato)
XHBO (Oaxaca)
XHBR (Nuevo Laredo) (listed as Local)
XHG (Guadalajara)
XHP (Puebla)
XHZAT (Zacatecas)
XHCCA (Campeche)
XHUAD (Durango)
XHGK (Tapachula)
XHPN (Piedras Negras)

5
National: Canal 5
incl. XHFX Morelia

6
XETV (Tijuana)

7
National: Azteca 7

8
XHAB (Matamoros)
XHCCU (Canc˙n)
XHAI (Veracruz) (there was a swap)
XHCKW (Colima)
XHRCG (Saltillo)
XHUNES (Durango)
XHVSL (Cd. Valles SLP)
XHMH (Parral)

9
National: Gala TV (with some serious exceptions!)

EXCEPT in San Luis PotosÌ (XHSLS Canal 9), Reynosa (XERV), and Durango (XHUJED)

10
Televisoras Grupo PacÌfico (ObregÛn, Mochis, Culiac·n, Mazatl·n)
XHFW (Tampico)
XHMNU (Monterrey)
XHDE (San Luis PotosÌ)
XHSECE (QuerÈtaro)
Canal 10 Chiapas
Tele 10 Nayarit
XHA (Durango)
XHCUM (Cuernavaca) (!?)
TDT (Tlaxcala)

11
National: Canal Once (in areas where the IPN operates its own transmitter)
EXCEPT Cd. Ju·rez (XHCJE Azteca 13) and Cozumel (XHCOZ, which used to be Once-heavy)

12
Multimedios (Monterrey-Saltillo including XHSAW, Nuevo Laredo, RGV, Cd. Victoria, Tampico, LeÛn, Piedras Negras)
XHAK (Hermosillo)
Hidalgo Radio y TelevisiÛn
XHFM (Veracruz)
XHACZ (Acapulco) (there appears to have been a swap in Acapulco to permit this. XHACZ is listed as Local/Gala TV)
XHND (Durango)
XHTOE (Tenosique)
XHAMO (Colima)
XEWT (Tijuana)

13
National: Azteca 13
In Chihuahua Capital, both XHCH and XHIT

14
National: SPR

15
Telemax (Sonora)
XHSDD (Sabinas, Coah.)

16
XHAQ (Azteca 13 Mexicali)
XHSLV (San Luis PotosÌ)

XHCLV (Gala TV Central Veracruz)

17
XEFE (Nuevo Laredo)
XHGJG (Guadalajara)

20
XHCJH (Azteca 7 Cd. Ju·rez)
XHEXT (Azteca 7 Mexicali)

21
XHCDM (Capital 21 Mexico City)
XHLNA (Azteca 13 Nuevo Laredo)
XHQCZ (Gala TV QuerÈtaro)
XHTIT (Azteca 7 Tijuana)

22
XEIMT (Mexico City)

23
XHS (Ensenada)
XHL (LeÛn)

24
XHTPZ (Tampico)

26
TVM¡S (Veracruz)
XHTOB (TorreÛn) (again, a swap occurred here. 26 is XHTOB's correct RF number after moving down from 47.)
XEWO (Guadalajara)
XHCGA (Aguascalientes)
XHCVI (Ciudad Victoria)
XHPUE (Puebla)

27
XHBG (Michoac·n)
XHJK (Azteca 13 Tijuana)

28
XHTRES (Mexico City)
RTV Nuevo LeÛn

31
XHNSS (Nogales)

32
XHJCI (Ciudad Ju·rez)

33
XHAS (Tijuana)

34
Mexiquense TV (Estado de MÈxico)
XHCNL (Monterrey)

38
XHMEE (Gala TV Mexicali)

40
XHTVM (Mexico City)

44
XHIJ (Cd. Ju·rez)
XHUDG (Guadalajara)

45
XHHCU (Mexico City)
XHBJ (Tijuana)

46
TelevisiÛn TabasqueÒa

49
XHCMO (Cuernavaca)
XHDTV (Tecate)

54
XHRIO (RÌo Bravo Tamps.)

56
XEJ (Ciudad Ju·rez)

57
XHLAR (Nuevo Laredo) (listed as Estrellas)
XHUAA (Tijuana)

58
XHCAW (Cd. AcuÒa)

66
XHILA (Mexicali)

???
XHACG Acapulco
XHBZC La Paz

XHZHZ Zacatecas
XHUJAT Villahermosa
CORTV Oaxaca
XHUNAM Mexico City
XHCVP Coatzacoalcos
SMRTV Michoac·n
XHENB Ensenada
(In general, if it is still considered as in analog, or is too new like XHZHZ or XHUJAT, it did not get a VC) Last edited by Raymie; 09-01-2016 at 03:34 PM. Reason: XHSAW (Raymie, ibid.)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. PCJ Radio International specials: see USA: WRMI

** NETHERLANDS [non]. Mighty KBC Frequency Change

September 4, 2016 is the final use, for now, of 9925 kHz via Nauen, Germany 0000-0200 UT. Beginning with the September 11, 2016 broadcast the Mighty KBC will use 6145 kHz via Nauen for the 0000-0200 UT broadcast to North America. 73, (Kraig, KG4LAC, Krist, VA, Aug 30, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

550 kW already on 6145 per Aoki, but on other worldside so Farty KBC should more or less overcome them over here. AIR aimed this way is sometimes heard weakly. At least not off-frequency like 6040 hetted Brasil. VU2JOS says Aligarh is only 250 kW.

6145 ALL INDIA RADIO 0015-0430 1234567 Urdu 500 325 Aligarh IND 2800N 07806E AIR b15 28 0 -78 6
6145 PBS Qinghai 2200-0600 1234567 Chinese 50 270 Xining CHN 3638N 10136E QHTB a16 36 38 -101 36
(Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NEW ZEALAND. Hello Glenn, Just got up and was searching for RNZI. They were AWOL on 7245, but found them on 7425, perhaps to avoid whining hams?!? Who knows but didn't see that coming!!!

7425 RNZI 0755z s9+, 0800z Time Pips, ID, News, including our NFL player refusing to stand for National Anthem ***New Freq ex-7245 Thought I'd let you know. 73 de (Rafman K4RAF, Admin of the Facebook SWL page at
https://www.facebook.com/shortwaveradio/
Aug 28, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

His follow-up there: ``Before antenna change, at 1057z, the audio was room filling & nice s9+ signal. 1057z after antenna change, about 3 S-units less and far less copyable [settings untouched]`` (with screenshots)

It`s no mistake: RNZI`s How to Listen schedule updated 27 August:
``06:59-10:58 7425 (AM) Pacific Daily
  10:59-12:58 7425 (AM) PNG   Daily``
(Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Frequency change of Radio New Zealand International from August 28
0659-1058 NF 7425 RAN 050 kW / 035 deg English to All Pacific AM Daily, ex 7245
1059-1258 NF 7425 RAN 100 kW / 325 deg English to NW Pacific AM Daily, ex 7245
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/frequency-change-of-radio-new-zealand.html
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NEW ZEALAND. 11725. August 27, 2016. 2010-2015, Radio New Zealand International, Rangitaiki, in English. Male announcer talks; female talks. Fair signal with a motorboating audio, damaging this transmission (DXer: JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Cabedelo-PB, Brazil (UTC-3), RX (s): Sony ICF-SW100S, Antenna: Portable Telescopic, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

?? Motorboating is a defect I have yet to hear from RNZI on any frequency. I hope this was really some external QRM, rather than their last and only SW transmitter upacting (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** NICARAGUA. 800, Radio 800, Managua. 1044 August 27, 2016. Good in passing with rustic folk vocal, male ID at 1047 -- (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA. New BCB logs heard in Western Michigan during the month of August. All dates/times UT. Receiver is a Perseus SDR & reversible North/South oriented D-KAZ antenna.

917, Radio Gotel, Yola, Nigeria - 8/10/2016 0126 UT - Very weak but generally stable signal lasting for several minutes providing continuous threshold audio with afropop music easily parallel to a remote Perseus SDR in Spain which provided a strong copy on this station. Heard on the North D-KAZ - new country! Not even the faintest trace of a carrier heard here since this reception on subsequent checks.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X1ahCb9c7pA
73, (Tim Tromp, West Michigan, Sept 2, ABDX via DXLD)

Also notable for being off-channel from 9 kHz plan. 50 kW, and WRTH says there is another 50 kW Nigerian really on 918 kHz. Surely the only station in the world on 917 (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA. 6089.97, tentative, FRCN Kaduna, 1844, all alone on

frequency and presumed the one with a weak carrier and almost no audio. But brief snippets of hilife make me think it's this. 26 August (David Sharp, NSW, FT-950, NRD-535D, R8, R30A, Timewave 599ZX, various Palstar and MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, various Sangean and Tecsun portables, EWE aerials, via Bob Wilkner, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** NIGERIA [and non]. 7255-, Aug 25 at 0602, no signal from VON, AWOL; 7285 South Africa is still audible very poorly.

7254.923, Aug 27 at 0557, VON is back on today, but just barely audible drumming (talking drums? What are they saying?) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7254.922, exact measured at 1810 UT on Aug 28, Voice of Nigeria, Ikorodu, S=9+10dB or -61dBm. Very NICE FAST SPEEDY West African light dance music [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (wb df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 28)(Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. UNIDENTIFIED:

8055/AM, 1501-1520+, 19-Aug; Just pop tunes, no announcements. SIO=353 peaks but very fady. 3 min. DA 1508-11.

+++ 2005-2012+, 19-Aug; 60s & hard rock; no anmts.

+++ 0242-0252:21*, 22-Aug; Just pop tunes & off abruptly. SIO=343 with brief rat-a-tat QRM from downfreq.

+++ 1407-1420+, 22-Aug; Just pop tunes. SIO=2+53

+++ 1415, 24-Aug; Sounded like an old radio drama with M&W talking o/eerie music. Dove into the QRN after 6 minutes

+++ 1424-1439+, 25-Aug; audio from the movie The Aviator. Peaking above QRN. Might this be Red Beacon Radio messiní with us again?

(Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 185' & 60' RW + 125' bow-tie, ----- All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! -----, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

A ìnewî pirate has been operating on 8040-8070 for a few months. Some sessions are marathon. Itís been a mix of non-ID stuff, pirate relays (Radio Free Whatever) & commercial relays. The marathon old radio program pirate on 6770 is still there, but signals have been poor for a few months now. 6875-6980 continues to be the most prolific playground for North American pirates, and 6200-6300 for Euro pirates (MARE TIPSHEET 26 AUG via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. PIRATE-NA. Pesky Party Radio, 6925 USB, 0010-0030+, 08-19-16, SIO: 444. Spanish tunes such as Hotel California by Gipsy Kings, Lola by M-Clan, La Bamba by Los Lobos. Short IDs by male in Chipmunk voiced OM. [Lobdell-MA]

PIRATE-NA. Wolverine Radio, 6940 USB, 0017-0135*, 08-21-16, SIO: 333. The Wolverine playing tunes with the word ìmanî in the title. SSTV image just before close down (Chris Lobdell, Tewksbury, MA USA, Receivers: Eton E1, JRC NRD-535, Aerial: G5RV Dipole, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 515 kHz LSB, Aug 29 at 1156 UT, I`m getting a ham mixing with PN beacon from Ponca City --- but I hear the ham only on the R75 preamp 2, i.e. max gain where I normally run it, but known to be risking overload especially on this part of the band. Goes away at preamp 1 or no preamp. Then at 1209 UT I tune thru the 160m band and find the fundamental for the same ham is 1905-LSB, an N5 discussing lawnmowers. Guess what the difference between 1905 and 515 is? 1390! I.e. my strongest local KCRC, but NO modulation from it whatsoever is audible on 515. Yet must be some kind of internal mixing involving KCRC (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Possibly KCRC was in dead air; should have checked 1390 itself (gh)

** OKLAHOMA. FORMAT, SLOGAN AND SILENT STATUS CHANGES:
1050, KXCA Lawton, OK was CBS Sports Radio, now Westwood One The Touch urban adult contemporary, old slogan: ìThe Ticket 1050 AMî, new: ì1050 AM Heart and Soulî

1050, KGTO Tulsa, OK old slogan: ì1050 The Touch KGTOî, new: ìKGTO 1050 Heart and Soulî

[both 1050 OKies on same net now? Can barely hear both daytime or SR/SS, maybe echoing? -- gh]

1380, KKRX Lawton, OK was Westwood One The Touch urban adult contemporary, now CBS Sports Radio, old slogan: ì1380 The Touchî, new: ìThe Ticket 1380î (Bob Wein, Broadcasting Information, IRCA DX Monitor Sept 3 via DXLD)

** OKLAHOMA. 1157-1170-1183, Aug 27 at 1859 UT, I notice the IBOC from 50/50 kW KFAQ Tulsa is OFF! Come to think of it, may have been off for a while. Used to be a fight at night with KSL 1147-1160-1173 IBOC. Who knows if this be permanent or temporary; new NRC AM Log, deadline early August, still shows KFAQ as ``I``. This reference last updated 27 July 2016:
http://topazdesigns.com/iboc/station-list.html
says ``Reported off Feb 2011, but on again as of Oct 2014`` (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1210, KGYN Guymon OK, 1051 22-Aug, Heard Boot-Scootin' Boogie - Brooks & Dunn booming in. Followed by, OM announcer, ìTodayís Country for Texhoma, 12-10 KGYN.î Good signal. Heard WPHT (Presumed) [Philadelphia] in the background. Barefoot CC Skywave (Gary Vance, Grand Ledge MI, MARE TIPSHEET 26 AUG via DXLD)

Whenever I check at night, KGYN is strong here, indicating they are constantly non-direxional, NOT protecting WPHT. Texhoma, if that`s really what they said, refers not to Texas/Oklahoma in general, tho KGYN is certain covering both the OK and TX panhandles, but to a tiny town, just barely in OK, southwest of Guymon on US 54 beyond Goodwell. KGYN rotating IDs refer to various towns in coverage area. Not to be confused with the Red River frontier along the southern edge of OK, which is Texoma (without the h), e.g. Lake Texoma (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA [and non]. 1580, Aug 28 at 0006 UT, KOKB Blackwell must be off. No big signal as there should be this long before sunset, but a mix of weakies, including one with sports talk, but not // 1020 KOKP or 105.1 KOSB. Also in the pileup a musical station. We should check whether Triple Play Sports radio resume a musical sidetrack Sunday at 2300 UT-0100 UT Monday.

105.1, UT Monday August 29 at 0055 UT on KOSB 105.1, Perry, yes, Triple Play Sports Radio is still doing an oldies music show Sunday evenings, about to wrap up 2-hour program, and presumably also on 1020 KOKP Perry, 1580 KOKB Blackwell (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA [and non]. 7489.964 approx., Thu Aug 25 at 2333, WBCQ with `Broad Spectrum Radio`. James Branum had tipped us that this week he would be airing one of his sporadic KG5JST DX Radio Reports:

``Hi Glenn, Passing this on...
http://broadspectrumradio.com/2016/08/25/kg5jst-dx-radio-report-august-25-2016/

15 minute program, with extended written notes online - Airing tonight on WBCQ at 2330 UT [Aug 25, 7490] and in Oklahoma on KTLR 890 am at 11 am CDT/1600 UT [Friday Aug 26].

Also a few BSR programming notes for September and onward:

KTLR - 15 minute Shalom in OKC show (which is magazine format) on Fridays 11-11 am [sic] CDT, then 30 minutes Mennonite radio followed by 30 minutes BSR Magazine on Sundays 8-9 am CDT (1300-1400 UT) [890]

WBCQ - Most weeks will be 30 minute BSR Magazine show at 2330 UT

Thursdays [7490]

WINB - Most weeks will be 30 minute Mennonite Radio 0330 UT on Saturdays. [not this week: see my WINB log][9265]

Channel 292 - Right now it is 30 minute BSR Magazine show/30 minute Mennonite Radio, airing at several time slots, but this will probably change soon as I have some longer length programs that are needing to be aired. Times may change soon. [6070, Germany]

Unique Radio 3210 - Starting in September it will be likely be 30 minutes BSR Magazine, 30 Minutes Mennonite Radio, and 2 hours of either music and/or longer-length shows [NSW 3210]

Sonador Radio - 24/7 Micro/Part 15 AM station will start in September airing to Sonador neighborhood of far west Northwest OKC. It possibly will be streaming online as well if I can work out cost of music licensing. The plan is to air a mix of old BSR Programs, music and other content. On Sonador Radio, I haven't picked a frequency yet, as I need to check day and night for ideal frequencies. I'll let you know in the next few days what I end up with. James

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Wearer of many hats . . .``

Sonador is in ZIP 73013, really Edmond; some part of it axually in OKC, it seems, ZIP 73012.

On 7490 from 2330 Thu Aug 25, he was going thru his DX logs, mostly but not exclusively SW, as in the script. Some other topic about 2345 so I thought that was over, but before 2400 he was reading some more logs (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 91.7, Sat Aug 27 at 1841 UT on caradio, I find dead air from KOSU, which continues past hourtop until 1905 UT finally reviving for last minute of NPR news and into `The Dinner Party`. But some or all of the excellent 1 pm CT Sat program `RadioLab` was withheld from KOSU listeners! Unknown whether still on KOSN, KOSR, translators, or HD channels. This happens all too frequently at KOSU, over-relying on fallible automation. It`s too much to ask for a genuine human operator to be overhearing it 24/7, preferably in the studio for quick axion rather than remotely (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN. I haven't received any mails from PAK re their winter schedule, and I haven't been able to positively hear them on 15730 at 0630 UT+, although using SSB I occasionally hear a squeak, but no real signal. 73 from (Noel Green, UK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN. 7265, Azad Kashmir Radio (very tentative), 1217-1230, Aug 29. Would like to think this was AKR that I was hearing; extremely faint audio that sounded like subcontinent music; unable to make out the language of announcer; totally covered by strong CNR2 sign on at *1230. Am encouraged to find any audio here. Needs more monitoring. Thanks very much to Dave Valko for the reminder to check AKR, as he heard them via a remote in Qatar.

7265, Azad Kashmir Radio, 1223-1230, Aug 30. Very much appreciate Dave Valko's help in confirming I am hearing AKR, as he was listening via remote today and heard same type of music (repetitive) as I was. Nice to have it confirmed AKR does not sign off at 1215*, as per Aoki. Am hearing this much stronger than last year! After 1230 is unusable due to CNR2 signing on with strong signal (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PALAU. Hi Glenn, Just back from Palau. These are all the FM stations there, logged by myself. All stations are 24 hours except VLFM. Most are 400-450 watts. Transmitters located in Koror except where indicated. Most stations are under 100 MHz, as they still use old Japanese equipment!

87.9 T8AA-FM. Government station. Music, announcements.
88.5 WWFM.//89.5. English songs, talk in Palauan. 450 watts.
88.9 KRFM. English songs.
89.5 WWFM. This transmitter is located near Melekeok, capital of Palau. 450 watts.
89.9 PWFM - Palau Wave Radio. Music, public service announcements.
97.5 VLFM - The Voice of Love. English songs. Daytime only - not present after 23:00 local time. Probably a new station, as there is still no info about it on the Internet.
102.5 T8WH - Christian songs in English. Transmits from Medorn, Aimeliik - the site used for shortwave too.

The only mediumwave station in Palau was damaged by a typhoon in late 2012 and is no longer active.

The shortwave station T8WH, belonging to LeSEA broadcating, broadcasts from Medorn, state of Aimeliik, using four 100 kW transmitters. They carry World Harvest Radio (including Brother Stair), Radio Japan, as well as (reportedly) Nippon No Kaze and Furusato No Kaze. They also used to carry Radio Free Asia in the past. Best wishes, (Robertas Pogorelis, Aug 29, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3260, NBC Madang, 1147-1204*, Aug 25. Heard well above the norm; DJ with "late night radio" dedications show in Tok Pisin/Pidgin playing pop Pacific Islands songs and some in English; several "NBC Madang" IDs; 1201 PNG bird call and "News in Brief" (logging story, with sound bite of the Minister of Forests speaking in Parliament today; item about a group working to end violence against women; item about the upcoming sports games being held in Kimbe this November); "That is the end of the news in brief" and immediately off the air. My audio at
http://goo.gl/wgDjMM

Looks as if the Kimbe (West New Britain Province) sports games being held from November 24 through December 10, will be an important event, so we can perhaps expect major coverage via the NBC stations. Website
http://www.pnggames.org/
(Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

NBC Madang (3260) was off the air today at 1136 and subsequent checking. Hiroyuki Komatsubara (Japan) agrees, as he found no signal at 1030, on 3260, but he was hearing NBC Madang at 0945, with a good signal, so they went off very early today (Ron Howard, CA, Aug 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

3260, NBC Madang, 1139-1206, Aug 29. A good day here; pop Pacific Islands music; 1200 PNG bird call and "Good night. NBC News in Brief" ("Police in East New Britain have arrested and charged a man with murder following the death of ..."; Australia seized 95 kilograms of cocaine aboard a cruise ship in Sydney harbor; "forecast," showers and thunder showers). Always nice to find semi-readable reception here.

3260, NBC Madang, 1152-1205*, Aug 30. Yet another good day here; pop Pacific Islands music; 1201 PNG bird call; "NBC News in Brief" (item about PNGís national oil and gas company Kumul Petroleum Holdings Limited, also Nepal has banned an Indian couple from mountain climbing in that country due to digitally altered fake photographs of them on summit of Mount Everest); still semi-readable (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. [non-log] 7324.95, Wantok Radio Light. Checked at 0925, Aug 29. Continues their long standing silence (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4824, LV de la Selva, Iquitos, presumed, 0023, unable to get more than a carrier out of this, but has not been in at all recently (Aug 24, 2016) (XM, Cedar Key, Florida, NRD525D, R8A, E5, via Bob Wilkner, Mosquito Coast DX News, NASWA yg via DXLD)

4824.49 Per˙, La Voz de la Selva, Iquitos 2350 to 2355 noted with slightly better signal in Spanish, always weak here 26 August (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, dxsf 1981 - 2016, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** PERU [and non]. Not sure why, but I just noticed that Radio Rebelde, 5025 kHz, is off the air. I hear a very weak signal, which is on 5024.91 as best I can measure it -- R. Quillabamba? (Art Delibert, North Bethesda, MD, 0158 UT Aug 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

And: the weak signal on 5024.91 cut off at 0203, which agrees with Quillabama's schedule (Art, 0205 UT, ibid.)

** PERU. 5980, Aug 26 at 0104, JBA carrier from R. Chaski until autocutoff at 0105:21*, which is 32.5 seconds later than last clocking 5 days earlier, Aug 21 until 0104:48.5, slippage averaging 6.5 seconds later per noctem (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5980, R Chaski, Urubamba, presumed, 1041, threshold signal with occasional bursts audible, at 1044 obliterated by apparent pulsating jammer, Radio MartÌ does use this frequency (Aug. 27, 2016) (XM, Cedar Key, Florida, NRD525D, R8A, E5, via Bob Wilkner, Mosquito Coast DX News, NASWA yg via DXLD)

5980, Aug 29 at 0106, JBA carrier from R. Chaski until autocutoff at 0105:40.5*, which is 19.5 seconds later than last timing one trinite ago, Aug 26 until 0105:21*, still averaging 6.5 seconds later per 24 hours.

5980, Aug 31 at 0056, JBA carrier from R. Chaski, but already off at 0104 retune in preparation for cutoff which if had not been reset earlier, would have happened about 0105:53.5* per standard slippage rate. Or it could be an anomaly (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It may well have been an anomaly. On the condiglista, Alfredo CaÒote in Lima points out that Aug 30 was a holiday causing some other radio stations to go off the air: ``hoy es feriado en El Per˙, dÌa de Santa Rosa de Lima. No transmiten en MW: 880 UniÛn, 930 Moderna, 1590 Vida`` Didn`t get to recheck whether Chaski resumed recession as before on UT Sept 1 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 6173.9, Per˙, Radio Tawantinsuyo, Cusco 0211 to 0230 poor to fair signal, Spanish chat, narrow filter 24 August (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, dxsf 1981 - 2016, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** PHILIPPINES. 9910 (fair-good) // 12120 (fair-poor/CODAR QRM) //

15190 (fair), R. Pilipinas, 1732-1804, Aug 28. Decent after sign on, but all frequencies slowly went downhill by 1800; news in Filipino with many musical selections; 1804 into "Showbiz News" (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PUNTLAND. 13800, R Puntland heard 8/25 from SDR sites in E. Finland (clearly the best site) and Netherlands from 1410 to extended 1551*. Signal level from Netherlands was Weak to Fair from 1410 to 1440, E. Finland a stable Good from 1440 to 1510. After 1512, Netherlands slowly improved from Fair to Good until sign-off. Program seemed to be a long-running drama with men and women dialoguing, interspersed with HOA vocal/instrumental music. At 1546, a woman was speaking or singing briefly, ending with ìRadio Puntlandî (almost like a pre-recorded announcement). This was followed by the usual Qurían reading by a man to 1550. Carrier stayed on until 1551*. Posted by: ("Bruce Churchill", CA, 0047 UT Aug 27, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Bruce, was listening at the same time to 13800 at my summer cabin. That woman singing "jingle" was repeated couple of times prior to starting the Qur`an program. Very nice reception. 73, (Jari Savolainen, Finland, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

PUNTLAND. SOMALIA, Weak signal of Puntland Radio One, Aug 28:
from 1515 on 13800 GRW 020 kW / non-dir to EaAf Music CUSB
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/weak-signal-of-puntland-radio-one-aug28.html

Fair signal of Puntland Radio One on August 30:
from 1400 on 13800 GRW 020 kW / non-dir to EaAf Prayer CUSB
No signal on 13800 GRW 020 kW / non-dir to EaAf at 1430UTC:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/fair-signal-of-puntland-radio-one-on.html
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ROMANIA. 15450, Aug 31 at 1919, receiver is still tuned here after TURKEY [q.v.] monitoring earlier, now fair signal in Spanish, soon obviously RRI; I leave it on for my nap as there are classical music breaks, including from Die Walk¸re toward end of hour, hardly dozeworthy. Announced // 17800 not really audible (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. 7345, Radio Sakha, via Yakutsk, brief check at 1216, Aug 28. Traditional music; clearly today, even with CNR1 QRM, this frequency was much stronger than clear, but unusable // 7295. Have not been able to to hear the reported spur on 7395.

7345, Radio Sakha, via Yakutsk, on Aug 29, with open carrier at 0858;

audio started 0900 with ID and into the news; did not have IS nor time pips; today clearly this was the higher powered transmitter (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAO TOME. 6180, Aug 30 at 0537, VOA French is S9+10 and in the clear, as RNA BRASIL is still AWOL like it was a few hours earlier. IBB should not have picked 6180 during a protracted absence of RNA earlier this year, but may not go away until B-16 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAUDI ARABIA. Heavy splatter of HQ prayer program of 11914.990 kHz 295degrees, S=9+45dB tremendous signal strength, and much lesser signal strength on \\ 11930even kHz 270degrees, BSKSA Al-Quran al-Kari program, latter S=9+5dB only [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (wb df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 28)(Wolfgang B˚schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

** SEYCHELLES [non]. Ett intrikat fall - i rel%s%ndningarnas v%rld. Fˆr ett par dagar sedan skickade jag en rapport pÂ en s%ndning pÂ hindi som jag hˆrde pÂ 9500 kHz till FEBC pÂ Filippinerna.

Den trogna QSL-skrivaren Norita P. Estabillo ville emellertid inte st%lla upp denna gÂng, hon meddelade mig att FEBC inte s%nder pÂ hindi och inte pÂ 9500 kHz.

Mina tillg%ngliga uppgifter s%ger dock annorlunda, bÂde i Short-wave Info och i HFCC:s schema fˆr FEBC finns hindi pÂ 9500 kHz via Tashkent angivet! Men jag ser nu att det markeras BAB = Babcock.

DÂ begriper jag. FEBA, som slutat s%nda frÂn Seychellerna, anv%nder olika s%ndare fˆr sina program till l%nder i Asien. Och de %r associerad partner till FEBC!

Det fˆr mig djupt tragiska %r att FEBA pÂ goda grunder inte l%ngre skickar QSL. BÂde Norie och jag var i god tro, inte sÂ underligt i den rel%v%rld vi lever i!

Men jag har fÂtt fina rapporter denna helg pÂ SM Radio International via Gavar, Armenien, Hot AM via Nauen och Atlantic 2000 International via Channel 292. D%r l%r jag skˆrda QSL, ja DJ Ron O'Quinn pÂ SM Radio International har redan skickat ett v%nligt mail .... trots att jag inte skrev direkt till honom!!

So there is still hope, men Tashkent skiter jag i, ingen idÈ att fˆrsˆka. Det r%cker med att Telia Sonera blamerat sig d%r! (Ullmar / UQ via NORDX)

Hei Ullmar, har du fˆrsˆkt febaindia.org (WRTH s. 470)? (Mvh, Mauno

Ritola) Google translation from Swedish:

An intricate cases - in relay broadcast the world of --- A few days ago I sent a report on a broadcast in Hindi which I heard on 9500 kHz from FEBC on Philippines. The faithful QSL printer Norita P. Estabillo did not set up this time, she informed me that FEBC not broadcasting in Hindi, and not on 9500 kHz.

My data available, however, say differently, both in Short-wave info and HFCC's schedule FEBC are Hindi on 9500 kHz via Tashkent statement made! But I see now that it marked BAB = Babcock.

Then I understand. FEBA, which stopped broadcasting from Seychelles, using different transmitters for its programs to countries in Asia. And they are associated partner to FEBC!

That to me is deeply tragic that FEBA justifiably no longer QSL. Both Norie and I were in good faith, not so strange in the relay world we live in!

But I've got great reports this weekend at SM Radio International through Gavar, Armenia, Hot AM via Nauen and Atlantic 2000 International via Channel 292. Where do I learn to harvest QSL, yes DJ Ron O'Quinn at SM Radio International has already sent a friendly message .... even though I did not write directly to him !! SÂ det finns fortfarande hopp, but Tashkent I do not care, no use trying. It is enough to TeliaSonera blamerat itself where! (Ullmar Qvick, Sweden / UQ via NORDX, via SW Bulletin Aug 28 via DXLD)

Hei Ullmar, have you tried http://febaindia.org (WRTH p. 470)? Sincerely, (Mauno Ritola, ibid.)

** SIKKIM. 4835, AIR Gangtok (presumed), 1357-1411, Aug 30. With ABC Alice Springs NT being off the air today, was a golden opportunity to check for this seldom reported station; 1357-1405 with announcer; 1405-1411 subcontinent music till announcer again at 1411; poor. Very pleased to catch this on a rare day of no ABC signal to block reception!

BTW - All the ABC NT stations were silent today (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn - Thanks to Timm Breyel (Malaysia) for his confirmation in WRTH Facebook today of my Sikkim log. Hope ABC is off the air again tomorrow, so I can tune in a little bit earlier for maybe better reception. My local sunrise today was 1338 UT. Ron

Timm posted - "Yes, poor signal with a whiny transmitter and

Indian music, logged at 13.40 till sign-off 16.00 UTC."

Hi Glenn, Rob Wagner's AIR Gangtok reception:
http://medxr.blogspot.com.au/2016/08/air-gangtok-4835-khz-rare-reception.html

As he says "So.....if Alice Springs is still off the air in coming days, now could be your chance to catch Gangtok." (Ron Howard, UT Aug 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

For the second day running, the ABC regionals of 4835, 2325 and 2485 kHz are off-air. Don't know why, but sounds like maintenance. This gives one an opportunity to hear AIR Gangtok on 4835. Only ever heard here at Mount Evelyn when VL8A is off. Last night a very weak signal, after 1130 UT. Several others also noted it. I can't check it out tonight (early start tomorrow), but maybe someone else can? Let us know how you go! Here's a little blog post I did re. my last night's observations on Gangtok.....
http://medxr.blogspot.com.au/2016/08/air-gangtok-4835-khz-rare-reception.html
73 all, (Rob VK3BVW Wagner, 91 Bailey Road, Mount Evelyn VIC 3796.
http://www.robwagner.com.au 1148 UT Aug 31, ARDXC via DXLD)

4835, AIR Gangtok (presumed), 1310-1410 on Aug 31. Second consecutive day of AIR reception here, made possible by the continued absence of ABC Alice Springs NT; segment of distinctive subcontinent music/singing 1338-1340, with the remainder of the time mostly just announcers; 1406 seemed to be phone conversation and brief singing. My music audio today at
http://goo.gl/ffxBrc
Wonderful to be able to hear them in the clear! (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOLOMON ISLANDS. 9545, Aug 25 at 0550, S4 signal with some music and talk, presumed only known occupant, SIBC, again on later than usual 0500*. Someone said the normal schedule is until 0800 before switching to 5020, but I think not, as usually no signal audible after 0500. No doubt they are flexible as to QSY time (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SIBC's listed sign off for the 9545 to 5020 is supposed to be 0500, not is that what's listed [sic] but that's what I've observed over the winter when I can actually hear 9545 khz. You will never hear 5020 and 9545 on air at the same time, as that's a technical impossibility. If you don't hear 5020, check for 9545. One night I caught them on 9545 over 4 hours past sign off and they suddenly signed off about 0920 and within minutes reappeared on 5020! (Paul Walker, AK, ptsw yg via DXLD)

9544.999, Solomon Island BC, Honiara, S=8-9 or -73dBm signal up to -

66dBm fluttery noted at 0522 UT on Aug 25. Downunder in remote Brisbane Australia unit. Phone-in interview about education and qualification of foreign national workers. Usual schedule 20-08 UT [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5020, Wantok FM relay via SIBC, 1312-1330*, Aug 26. Unlike my Aug 24 reception here with no IDs, today no question as to who was providing the programming; frequent IDs ("This is Wantok FM 96.3. Good times, great music" and "The hottest sounds with the hottest DJs, 96.3"; mostly pop songs ("Saturday Night" by the Bay City Rollers, Dierks Bentley with "Drunk On A Plane," etc.). I love it when they run past their usual 1200* sign off! My local sunrise was at 1334 UT.

9545, SIBC. RE: Glenn's comment: "Someone said the normal schedule is until 0800 before switching to 5020, but I think not, as usually no signal audible after 0500. No doubt they are flexible as to QSY time (Glenn Hauser, OK)."

Glenn is correct, most times that I have checked, found similar to this: Aug 22, heard 9545 doing better than usual 0400-0501*, mostly in Pijin with pop songs; many ads in English for hardware supplies and general contractor; 0500 start of news in English with sound bite from the Olympics; suddenly off. Believe more often than not, sign off is about 0500 (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5020. Seems logical to conclude from my recent observations that there are in fact two distinct formats being used here during the extended scheduling that goes beyond the usual 1200* sign off.

Today (Aug 27) and Aug 24, heard programming with no IDs at all, none whatsoever, but have to believe was actually SIBC programming and not a Wantok FM 96.3 relay. Today 1207-1245*, with pop songs in English (Whitney Houston with "I Wanna Dance With Somebody," etc.); series of ads ("Silentworld for shipping of cargo, with dedicated shipping bay. Ship with the professionals today, for transportation of passengers and cargo. All Silentworld vessels are certified to stringent international standards" and their website has a nice map at http://goo.gl/44nPtu
showing their delivery routes to the various islands that make up the Solomon Islands; also ad for "Mobile One"; etc); suddenly off.

Whereas yesterday (Aug 26) heard a very different format 1312-1330*; numerous IDs, usually between every (or every other) pop song played; often with these IDs: "This is Wantok FM 96.3. Good times, great music" and "The hottest sounds with the hottest DJs, 96.3", so no question this format is in fact a Wantok FM relay; very different from

the SIBC format.

Anyone else conclude the same? Appreciate any additional comments, observations or corrections. Thanks. Wonderful that they have recently been carrying more of these two types of formats for their extended programming past 1200.

5020, SIBC, 1201-1333*, Aug 28. Yet another day of extended broadcasting; Sunday format of non-stop religious (Christian) songs; almost all of them in English; "I'll Fly Away," "Oh Happy Day," etc.; never an ID, so SIBC program; almost fair.

5020, SIBC, 1208 and subsequent checking through 1238, Aug 29, heard strong open carrier with no audio at all; by 1312 was off the air. Are they experimenting with a possible new schedule here or what? (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SIBC 5020/9545 Transmitter Issues --- From Engineer Nilorier Tavo, "We are having problem with our SW transmitters but work is still in progress to fix it."

I assume they are probably at lower then their "licensed" 10,000 watts, as evidenced by WRMI 5015 and Radio Rebelde 5025 beating them to a pulp here in Alaska the other day.

I wonder what the problem is; their transmitter is nearly brand new.. it's a 2 year old Hitachi, from Japan. They have one transmitter, and it can only do one frequency at a time, so both 5020 and 9545 are affected, I assume (Paul Walker, AK, Aug 30, ptsw yg via DXLD)

5020, SIBC, 1206-1221 & 1236-1245 and still on at 1319, Aug 30. Pop Pacific Islands music and pop song "I Shoot The Sheriff"; PSA; no IDs, so SIBC format (not Wantok FM); almost fair.

Aug 31, 5020, Wantok FM 96.3 relay via SIBC, 1202, Aug 31. Start of the relay with pop Pacific Islands songs (C&W song "Mama Likes The Radio On All Night"); frequent IDs with "96.3" frequency; still on the air at last check of 1241. Continuing with their extended schedule. Very nice!

Aug 31, checking 9545 for SIBC sign off; random checks 0420-0507 found them clearly off the air; no trace of a carrier (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5020, Aug 30 at 1300, JBA carrier still, as SIBC has been running later than 1200* lately per Ron Howard: Aug 24 until 1330*; Aug 26 until 1330* with Wantok FM relay; Aug 27 until 1245* with SIBC itself; Sunday Aug 28 with hymns to 1333*; Aug 29 open carrier only from 1208

to 1238, off by 1312, per Ron (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOMALILAND. 7120, Radio Hargeisa, 1850, good with local music, brief announcement by man just prior to brief music and plug pulled 1900*. 26 August (David Sharp, NSW, FT-950, NRD-535D, R8, R30A, Timewave 599ZX, various Palstar and MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, various Sangean and Tecsun portables, EWE aerials, via Bob Wilkner, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** SOUTH AFRICA. 7285.021, Meyerton transmitter not stable in frequency, hops up and down 3 Hertz constantly, already on air early at 0457 UT on Aug 25. Noted on remote SDR unit at Detroit Michigan. Scheduled 05-08 UT in Afrikaans, SABC Sonder Grense program from SenTec site Meyerton. S=9 or -76dBm heard in MI-USA east coast. 7285.019 ... 7285.023 kHz ... [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN. Glenn -- Please find the following helpful: http://www.twitlonger.com/show/n_1sp286g

TEXT OF ANNOUNCEMENT FOLLOWS:

Via EA1CS: am glad to inform you about this new event organized by URE.

URE invites all hams and SWLers worldwide to participate in this amazing Special Award and Diploma.

A total of 14 Special Event Stations with the prefix AN400 will be on the air to commemorate the 400 anniversary of the death of Cervantes, who is widely regarded as the greatest writer in the Spanish language and one of the world's pre-eminent novelists. His most iconic novel, ìDon Quixoteî is the most edited and translated book in all Literature History, just behind The Bible.

The Special Event Stations will hold the prefix AN400, which has never been issued before. The suffixes of all callsigns consist of a single letter, forming among all of them the 14 letters of the name of MIGUEL DE CERVANTES. And so, the 14 special station callsigns are:

AN400M, AN400I, AN400G, AN400U, AN400E, AN400L, AN400D, AN400C, AN400R, AN400V, AN400A, AN400N, AN400T, AN400S. All Special Event Stations will use all HF bands and all modes (SSB, CW and digital modes)

Diplomas will be freely issued (PDF) to all hams (and SWLers) that

accomplish a certain number of contacts (all HF bands, all modes) with the 14 different AN400x stations in three categories: Silver, Gold and Platinum.

The top participants per number of contacts with the 14 AN400x Special Event Stations will receive freely a Special Medallion in high quality crystal, personalized with their name and callsign. Medallions will be sent free of cost in the following categories:

-Top 20 stations World
-Top 5 stations North America
-Top 5 stations South America
-Top 5 stations Africa
-Top 5 stations Asia
-Top 5 stations Oceania
All participants can follow their progress chasing the Special Event Stations on a daily basis checking the log online at the organization's webpage.

DATES: From 19th September 2016 at 0000z to 9th October 2016 (2359z)

More info (starting September) at
http://cervantes.ure.es

Find attached the Rules and samples of the Awards. Best of luck and enjoy your chase of the Special Event Stations on the Bands!

--------END OF ANNOUNCEMENT--------

Respectfully, (via J. Burke, Amateur call N0LSD, Sent from my Android device with K-9 Mail. Please excuse my brevity, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN SOUTH [non]. FRANCE, Reception of Eye Radio via TDF Issoudun, Aug 30
1600-1640 on 17730 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Arabic/English
1640-1700 on 17730 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Various langs:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/reception-of-eye-radio-via-tdf.html
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN. 9410, Fu Hsing BS (presumed), 1143 & brief check at 1215, Aug 28. This one continues to be off the air much more than they are on; weak, but signal slowly improved. Dave Valko, via remote in Japan, was also hearing them today; their 9774 remains silent (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN. [dxld] Radio Taiwan International special transmissions in German --- In an email of Radio Taiwan International received this morning (local time) the German service reminds of special

transmissions via the Tamshui (Tanshui) transmitter site on Taiwan:

on 26 August (today), 27 August and 28 August 2016 at 1600-1700 UT
on 2 September, 3 September and 4 September 2016 at 1600-1700 UT
on 1 October, 2 October and 3 October at 1000-1100 UT
on 8 October, 9 October at 1000-1100 UT
and on 10 October at 1000-1100 UT in DRM Mode

All transmissions are on 11665 kHz, Tamshui (Tanshui) is listed to use 300 kW transmitters. All correct reception reports will be verified with a special QSL card. 73, Manfred

Liebe Hoererinnen und Hoerer, RTI strahlt im August, September und Oktober 2016 das deutschsprachige Programm an mehreren Tagen direkt von der Sendeanlage Tamshui in Taiwan aus!

Empfangsberichte ueber die Direktausstrahlungen auf der Frequenz 11665 kHz bestaetigt RTI mit einer Sonder-QSL-Karte.

Frequenz 11665 kHz von der Sendeanlage Tamsui

Datum und Uhrzeit:
26.8.2016, 16:00 bis 17:00 Uhr UTC
27.8.2016, 16:00 bis 17:00 Uhr UTC
28.8.2016, 16:00 bis 17:00 Uhr UTC
2.9.2016, 16:00 bis 17:00 Uhr UTC
3.9.2016, 16:00 bis 17:00 Uhr UTC
4.9.2016, 16:00 bis 17:00 Uhr UTC

1.10.2016, 10:00 bis 11:00 UTC
2.10.2016, 10:00 bis 11:00 UTC
3.10.2016, 10:00 bis 11:00 UTC
8.10.2016, 10:00 bis 11:00 UTC
9.10.2016, 10:00 bis 11:00 UTC
10.10.2016, 10:00 bis 11:00 UTC DRM

Wir freuen uns auf Ihre Empfangsberichte!

Mehr Informationen ueber RTI:
http://german.rti.org.tw/

Facebook:
https://www.facebook.com/Radio-Taiwan-International-German-Service-199796913378098/
(via Manfred Reiff, Germany, dxldyg via DXLD)

Here is what I heard recently on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire in Skovlunde:

11665.00, *1600-1700* 26.8, TWN, R Taiwan International, Tamshui. German test, ID, news, weather 34 C, Taipei Photo Gallerie, 1620 DX Letterbox, 1650 DX-tips. 45344, but QRM at *1626 from BBC Ascension on 11660 to Rwanda and Burundi, then 42342 AP-DNK Best 73, (Anker Petersen, Denmark, WBradio yg via DXLD)

** TAIWAN. RTI Tainan (again) --- The last time we mentioned the RTI Tainan site was Dec 24th, 2015. There was some conjecture on the closure date of the site as either Nov 2015 or early 2016.

What I do note from the latest GE satellite imagery of the site is the removal of all curtain array support towers except two paired towers, indicating that 'perhaps` one array might have still been in place (maybe) as of pre image processing date of Feb 7, 2016. Whether in use or functional at the time is unknown to me (Ian, Aug 30, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

** THAILAND. 13729.94, Aug 31 at 0116, JBA carrier off-frequency. It`s VOA Radio Ashna, at 0030-0230 alternating Pashto and Dari, 250 kW, 300 degrees from Udorn where they aren`t too careful about frequency accuracy. 15590, R. Thailand`s so-called North American service arrives no better (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TIBET [non]. /CHINA, 9575, AIR (Bengaluru)/CNR1 (jammer) 1303-1330* 17 August. AIR's Tibetan service once again holding its own against CNR1's efforts to keep a neat music concert from reaching the desired audience. CNR1 shut down at 1329, leaving AIR to close with 1+1 pips & ".. [Tibetan?] service of All India Radio.." at BOH.

Correction to 15 Aug. log in DXLD 16-33: I must have misread Aoki as this is, indeed, the Tibetan service & not Nepali, which would explain the CNR1 jammer. (I keep learning things every day; occasionally it requires a "whop upside the head" but what the heck). And now that RA is back on 9580, 9575 is pretty much unlistenable (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA PL380/6m X wire [v.2.0]), DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TURKEY. 11980.006, V Of Turkey Emirler, Turkish service, heard on Brisbane AUS remote SDR unit at 0537 UT on Aug 25. Scheduled 04-06 UT, S=9 or -71dBm signal strength downunder. Nice light Turkish music heard, my guess was rather of Brazilian type [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9770. August 25, 2016. 0130-0140, Voice of Turkey, Emirler, in Spanish. Female announcer talks. Awful broadcasting in this frequency and no SINPO evaluation. Parallel logs on 9870 kHz, is off; on 9830 kHz, is off. VOT is very irregular in last days, on 9770 and 9870 kHz.

On 9830 kHz, unusual frequency in Spanish, last two days, is off (When on-air, has a good signal and modulation). (DXer: JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Location: Cabedelo-PB, Brazil. RX (s): Degen DE1103 + Sony ICF-SW100S. Antenna: Portable Telescopic, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

9830, Aug 31 at 0102, S5 La Voz de TurquÌa is once again on wrong frequency instead of 9770, // stronger correct frequency 9870. Still on 9830 at 0129 recheck.

15450.014, Aug 31 at 1324, TRT IS is running following English broadcast, off-frequency+plus as usual, poor signal with heavy flutter. And it keeps on going, interrupted at 1328, by IDs in unknown language, as customary when another service is about to begin. *Still* here at 1330.0 with accurate 5+1 timesignal, opening and presumed news until finally cut off at 1337:18.5*. Should be Kazakh, which is supposed to be on 11880 from 1330. Yet another foulup by the sloppyrators at Emirler. I`ll bet no one in charge at Ankara or Istanbul monitors this happening again and again (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UGANDA [non]. 15240, Sat Aug 27 circa 1750, signal detected here on R-75, presumed WWRB with Radio Munansi, but in next hour on caradio, despite a memory frequency, no hits, so must be quite weak. What about Sunday 1600-1900? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Quite strong here in NB yesterday (Saturday [Aug 27]) afternoon when tuning around when I came home from campus after leaving the receiver and recorder going to capture Aussie Tim's Brekkie Show on WINB. Recorder was still going when I was tuning around so likely captured WWRB and will post a short clip, if so, later (Richard Langley, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15240-, Sunday August 28 at 1611, R. Munansi via WWRB is already in continuous Luganda(?) lo-fi talk, no nice African music today. Listening on the PL-880 portable with whip antenna only, it is adequate at first, but 1623 fades out completely, 1629 up a bit, 1632 better briefly. Really too close to WWRB for solid F2 daytime reception, but some unreliable sporadic E in between can improve it; of no use to Ugandans (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hearing them at fair/good level at 1806 on Sunday (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, Aug 28, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UK [non]. NIGERIA [non], 17780, BBC (Ascension) 1423-1502+ 20 August. BBC's 1400-1430 weekday Hausa broadcast running 'way late on a Saturday with live sporting event play-by-play, log drums intro to BBC Hausa program promo at 1458, followed by what sounded like website

info at TOH (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA PL380/6m X wire [v.2.0]), DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17830, Aug 30 around 1635, glad to find that BBCWS in English has a sufficient signal for easy listening, as BBC fails to prevent its SW from bleeding into undesirable North America. This is 85 degrees from ASCENSION at 16-17, and also 65 degrees at 17-18, hours when I am seldom SWLing. BTW, Aoki shows these are *jammed by the ChiCom, as they must also bleed into China where English is far too understood; can`t allow that! Jamming of BBCWS English is normally by noise rather than Firedragon or CNR1, and harder to detect abroad (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. [Re 16-34, Lyse Doucet:] Irish heritage mentioned here:
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lyse_Doucet
(Richard Langley, NB, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Also Migmaw

** U S A. 15120, Fri Aug 26 at 1650, VOA in Luso-Portuguese for weekly 1630 call-in about ANGOLA. 15120 is Greenville, 250 kW, 94 degrees, same parameters as for 2130-2200 M-F Bambara on 15120. Modulation rather distorted and splattering, S9+20 to 30, off at 1700*, why? HFCC shows there is another half-hour of this on Fridays only via GB on 17700. Also the first semihour via VATICAN, violating Separation of Church & State, on 17655. Also on 13630 via SAO TOME on Fri only, but 13630 continues daily 1700-1800 in Portuguese via BOTSWANA (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. Additional unregistered frequencies, Voice of America:
1730-1800 on 12110 LAM 100 kW / 132 deg to EaAf Oromo Mon-Fri
1730-1800 on 13615 LAM 100 kW / 132 deg to EaAf Oromo Mon-Fri
1800-1900 on 12110 LAM 100 kW / 132 deg to EaAf Amharic Daily
1800-1900 on 13615 LAM 100 kW / 132 deg to EaAf Amharic Daily
1900-1930 on 12110 LAM 100 kW / 132 deg to EaAf Tigrinya Mon-Fri
1900-1930 on 13615 LAM 100 kW / 132 deg to EaAf Tigrinya Mon-Fri
// frequencies for all broadcasts 12040, 12080, 12140, 13860, 15630
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/additional-unregistered-frequencies-of.html
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. VOA DEEWA MARKS 10 YEARS ON THE AIR
http://www.insidevoa.com/a/voa-deewa-marks-10-years-on-the-air/3481950.html

VOA Deewa staff at their 10th anniversary celebration [caption]

WASHINGTON D.C., August 26, 2016 -- The Voice of America's Deewa Service to the critically important Afghanistan-Pakistan border region celebrated its 10th anniversary on Thursday at a ceremony at VOA headquarters in Washington.

VOA Deewa (Light) began broadcasting in Pashto on August 25, 2006, with only five minutes of radio daily. Today, the service produces nine hours of radio broadcasts per day, three of which are radio on TV, including a popular call-in show for women, Adorable Woman, that has "given a voice to half the population of the region," according to VOA Deewa Service Chief Nafees Takar.

VOA Director Amanda Bennett commended the service as a vital communications link with the people of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Baluchistan Provinces in support of freedom and democracy during the rise of the Taliban, and through the challenges this volatile region faces today. "This is a small but mighty service. This speaks to its creativity and bravery, and especially its work that brings women out of the shadows," said Bennett.

"They are serving one of the most difficult areas and most complicated areas of the world, where violence and extremism are a daily occurrence," said VOA South and Central Asia Division Director Akbar Ayazi.

VOA Deewa radio and television provide news and information to a potential audience of more than 50 million Pashtuns. The region lacks local independent sources of information on regional, international and U.S. news. With a military narrative, jihadi agenda and extremist groups dominating the region's state and private media market, VOA Deewa is a respected source of objective and accurate news and information via digital platforms, direct-to-home satellite, radio and the Internet (VOA PR via Hansjoerg Biener, DXLD)

** U S A [and non]. WORLD OF RADIO 1840 monitoring: confirmed Friday Aug 26 at 2130.5 on WRMI 13695, very good S9+30. Also confirmed Fri Aug 26 at 2330 on WBCQ, 9330.074v-CUSB. Next:

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Sat 0630   HLR  6190-CUSB to SW
Sat 0700   Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND
Sat 1400   Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND
Sat 1430   HLR  7265-CUSB to SW
Sat 1930v  WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sat 2230   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Sun 0310v  WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sun 0830   Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND
Sun 2330   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Mon 0030   WRMI 7730 to WNW
Mon 0300v  WBCQ 5130v Area 51 to WSW
Mon 0330   WRMI 9955 to SSE
Mon 2330   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Tue 1100   WRMI 9955 to SSE
Tue 2130   WRMI 15770 to NE
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Tue 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Wed 1315.5 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v to WSW
Wed 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW

WORLD OF RADIO 1840 monitoring: confirmed Sat Aug 27 at 2230 on WBCQ, 9330.049v-CUSB, poor. Also confirmed UT Sunday Aug 28 at 0327 on WA0RCR, 1860-AM, good S9+20 but mixing with storm noise level, about 4 minutes into show so started circa 0324 (minus the theme opening nixed). Next:
Sun 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Mon 0030 WRMI 7730 to WNW
Mon 0300v WBCQ 5130v Area 51 to WSW
Mon 0330 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Mon 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Tue 1100 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Tue 2130 WRMI 15770 to NE
Tue 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Wed 1315.5 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v to WSW
Wed 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW

WORLD OF RADIO 1840 monitoring: confirmed Sunday August 28 at 2330 on WBCQ, 9329.957v-CUSB, fair. Also confirmed UT Monday Aug 29 at 0030 on WRMI, 7730, S9+20. Also confirmed UT Monday Aug 29 from 0301 on Area 51 webcast, and until 0330:30 on WBCQ 5129.860-AM, S9+20. Also confirmed UT Monday Aug 29 at 0330 on WRMI, 9955, S9+10 over pulse jamming: tnx a lot, Arnie! Next:
Mon 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Tue 1100 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Tue 2130 WRMI 15770 to NE
Tue 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Wed 1315.5 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v to WSW
Wed 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW

WORLD OF RADIO 1840 monitoring: confirmed Monday August 29 at 2330 on WBCQ, 9330.045v-CUSB, fair. Next:
Tue 1100 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Tue 2130 WRMI 15770 to NE [pre-empted last two weeks]
Tue 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Wed 1315.5 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v to WSW
Wed 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW

WORLD OF RADIO 1840 monitoring: NOT confirmed Tue Aug 30 at 2130 on 15770, when WRMI is still replaying their digital special which I hoped would be over after HFCC finished. But confirmed Tue Aug 30 at

2330 on WBCQ, 9329.971v-CUSB, fair. Next:
Wed 1315.5 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v to WSW
Wed 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WOR Heard on Shortwave! Glenn: I tried a few times to hear WOR in the last 2 months but only heard JBA signals. Not today: the Wed 2100 UT, WBCQ 7490 kHz was booming into Central New Jersey (only occasional fading). I would definitely recommend this airing for listeners on the East Coast of North America. Best. Charlie (Charles Harlich, Sent from my iPhone, 2147 UT Aug 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Good; not good out here (gh, OK)

WORLD OF RADIO 1840 monitoring: confirmed Wednesday August 31 at 2100 on WBCQ webcast, presumably also 7490. Also confirmed Wed Aug 31 at 2348 during 2330 airing on WBCQ 9330v-CUSB, fair.

WORLD OF RADIO 1841 ready for first airings Thursday September 1:
Thu 1130 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Thu 2100 WRMI 13695 to NW
Thu 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Fri 0830 Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND
Fri 2130.5 WRMI 13695 to NW
Fri 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Sat 0630 HLR 6190-CUSB to SW
Sat 0700 Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND
Sat 1400 Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND
Sat 1430 HLR 7265-CUSB to SW
Sat 1930v WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sat 2230 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Sun 0310v WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sun 0830 Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND
Sun 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Mon 0030 WRMI 7730 to WNW
Mon 0300v WBCQ 5130v Area 51 to WSW
Mon 0330 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Mon 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Tue 1100 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Tue 2130 WRMI 15770 to NE [we hope resumed after 3 weeks]
Tue 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Wed 1315.5 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v to WSW
Wed 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7489.95, UT Sat Aug 27 at 0035, WBCQ with `Allan Weiner Worldwide` in progress about a new campaign to raise $500,000 in the

next 6 months with 7 goals, going into quite a bit of detail including ``more Glenn Hauser`` mentioned a couple of times (hmmm), and fortunately now summarized on the website wbcq.com ñ make that eight:

``WBCQ $500,000 fund drive

WBCQ needs to raise $500,000 to keep going to provide the world`s only truly free speech radio service. Our goals for the funding are:

1. Repair, replace, and upgrade our transmitting equipment
2. Upgrade all our antenna systems for higher power
3. Upgrade studios and computer systems
4. Finish our backup generator system
5. Create a fund to pay for more free speech alternative programming
6. Providing airtime for persons who cannot afford to purchase airtime
7. Create a free radio news service for true, unbiased news for the world
8. Improve the website, streaming, and video services

Much more needs to be done. Shortwave radio is the only true worldwide open voice with no infrastructure required.

Fees for airtime do not cover operation costs at present. We need your help through donations to progress further, survive into the future, and get more voices on the air. Please contribute whatever you can. Thank you and God bless, Allan H. Weiner``

Said was also on 5130 and 3250 --- nothing audible here around 3250, but 5129.87 or so detectable. Later on thru 0100 hourtop, girlfriend Pam ukuleled and sang some songs live (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9330-CUSB, Sat Aug 27 at 2344, WBCQ with an `Allan Weiner Worldwide` playback I recognize from a few weeks ago as he is talking about being into photography as a child, developing his 127 film, etc. This repeat is now officially on the schedule at
http://schedule.wbcq.com/main.php?fn=sked&freq=9330
But the Sat 23-24 hour on 9330 was originally some paid program, forget what, but didn`t last long, accounting for earlying the daily WOR playbacks from 2330 to 2230 on Saturdays only.

9330-CUSB, UT Wed Aug 31 at 0105, WBCQ stays on to carry the weekly `Amateur Radio Roundtable`, first with big band music, then Tom and Kathy (sp?) seemingly behind the scenes discussing how the video web streaming is not working via W5KUB.com so everyone should watch on YouTube. (Meanwhile if this were primarily a radio show, already on shortwave, that would be irrelevant.) 0110 finally ready to open the show, mentions is on WBCQ 9330 new frequency as of two weeks ago and

now with much better coverage. She interviews someone from ARRL about National Parks on the Air, over 400 entities eligible. Very good, still going at 0207 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Broad Spectrum Radio on WBCQ: see OKLAHOMA [and non]

** U S A. 11580, Aug 26 at 1325, WRMI `World Music` in a string of hymns/praise music, some with Xmas theme. Not so eclectic; but by 1346 something South-Asian, and more past 1359 ID pause.

13695, Aug 27 at 1757 on BST-1 caradio, memory scan stops on some steel band music, and Morse code frequency ID says 13695, so WRMI. But where`s Brother Scare who is supposed to be on here all day until 2100? Not until 1800 sharp (without any ID), does this switch to the Overcomer theme (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Reminder that the PCJ special #2 from R Netherlands archives rescheduled is coming up at 0100 UT Monday on WRMI 7570 for two hours, after failing to appear a week earlier.

But did it appear on the European beam earlier this Sunday at 0600 on 7780? I have not seen any reports of that (or of any attempts to hear it). (Glenn Hauser, 2346 UT Sunday Aug 28, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7570, UT Mon Aug 29 from 0100 on WRMI 7570, PCJ Radio International`s `From the Archives of Radio Netherlands, pt 2` starts as scheduled, preÎmpting Brother Scare, VG across North America. First docu item dates back to 1950y, interviewing Dutch allied soldiers about to go to war in Korea. At 0113, `The Challenge`, from 1996y, Eric Beauchemin docu about poverty. 0144, `Earthbeat` interviews Keith in Taiwan about how a crematory there is using the 1000-degree heat all day from its busy ovens to generate electricity, dissatisfying some traditional Taiwanese, tho the corpses being burnt up aren`t directly involved. On to commercials and some music before hourtop, but instead of a second hour of this, WRMI cuts back to Brother Scare at 0200 UT. So now I can watch BrainDead on CBS-TV without recording something (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Went back to BS at 0200 instead of the second promised hour of PCJ, unfortunately. Someone isn't getting their money's worth, I think. At least the first hour was well worth waiting for. The handheld GP-5/SSB yielded strong and steady reception of 7570 kHz. Maybe next time we'll be treated to the entire program! 73, (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan USA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It was at 0100 UT. but it seems there was a computer problem on the play out for the second broadcast and only 1 hour went out. Then at

0200 Brother Spooky cut in. The second hour of the program will be played this Wednesday at 0100 UT on 11580. That's the hour with Pete Myers (Keith Perron, PCJ, ibid.)

Both hours fully played out for the first transmission. Great reception here in NB for the full two hours. The second hour, "Return to Beirut," is about Pete Myers` return to Beirut where he managed the Crazy Horse Saloon before the civil war. I've heard it before on a PCJ Radio International broadcast but it was enjoyable to hear it again. (Richard Langley. Ibid.)

7570, Aug 29 at 0542, WRMI is not BSing, but instead World Music, songs in Portuguese, Spanish, Middle Eastern, French, and not // music on 7730 & 7780 which are presumably still TOM, but why not on 7570? Not until 0600 sharp does 7570 switch to Brother Hystairical.

11580, Aug 30 at 1323, WRMI World Music is in Spanish, then song in Chinese. Instead of the same old songs I am hearing some different ones, so maybe this rotation has been refreshed (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 5830, Aug 26 at 0518, no signal from WTWW-1, nor on day frequency 9475. Propagation is degraded, but WWCRs are still audible poorly on 5890 & 5935.

5085, UT Sat Aug 27 at 0313, WTWW-3 is on with rock music at S9+30, plus the inevitable JBA spur carriers on 5072.1 and 5097.9. You never know when Ted will decide to turn on the transmitter and play DJ.

12105, Aug 27 at 2353 check, WTWW-3 is OFF; 9475 WTWW-1 is still on, and WTWW-2 is not on either frequency.

12105, Aug 30 at 0137, WTWW-3 is S9+35 of dead air! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WTWW 5085 back --- Heard them as I tuned around before drifting off to sleep last night: 5085, WTWW with English broadcast of mostly classic C/W stuff, but with Ted Randall announcing songs and doing 'off the cuff' ads for a Car SW radio that sits in your glovebox and uses wireless connections to an antenna (!?) and transmits an FM signal with digital details including the SW frequency you are tuned to, to your car radio.

Apparently MITD [Midnight [sic] in the Desert] is gone as I've not heard anything on this channel in over a month, but this was in well tonight, 454+4+4+, 0425-0504* 30/Aug using the CCrane skywave +whip --
-- One can never be too rich, too thin or have too many radios.
D <-- and I'm still not with stupid! --> R

(Kenneth Vito Zichi, MI, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12105, Aug 29 at 0119, WTWW-3 must be source of JBA carrier, unknown if modulated or not, while 9475, WTWW-1 is still inbooming.

5085, Aug 30 at 1303, surprised to find WTWW-2 on at this odd hour, Ted with a ``ham-it-forward`` promo, classic rock music.

9475-, Aug 31 at 0058, WTWW-1 is S9+50 of dead air; 0100 [not 0000 typo in original report] alive with canned ID and back to SFAW. At 0207, 9475 is off and 5830 is not on, yet?

5085, Aug 31 at 0058, WTWW-2 is on with S9+50 of C&W music and into QSO show replay, still going at 0207.

12105, Aug 31 at 0058, WTWW-3 is S9 but poorly audible with end of Russian Bibling hour. At 0106 now it`s dead air as usually the case for an hour until 0200* (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7520, Aug 30 at 0139, three ``shit``s in a row, unbleeped so it`s OK to swear like that on WWCR-4, during `A Call to Decision` with Butch Paugh per sked; then a bunch of Trump clips seemingly to demonstrate his contradicting himself. Gee, I would have guessed the ``decision`` would be about salvation, rather than politix. O yeah, for the far-right religionists, there is no difference (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9605, Aug 27 at 0254 check, WHRI is still on here with gospel-huxtering in English, rather than on 7315 where Angel 1 is supposed to be after the 01-02 Korea relay, per WHRI`s own schedule. After 0300 same transmitter does come up on 6175 for Vietnam relays, q.v. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Not any more

** U S A. 9265, UT Sat Aug 27 at 0330, WINB ID and into a rock music show, only S8 and not enough to overcome noise level. This is when Broad Spectrum Radio was supposed to appear according to James Branum (see OKLAHOMA [and non]). WINB online schedule is relatively recently updated, Aug 14, but still out of date. Instead shows Mennonite Radio from BSR on Saturday nights = UT Sunday at 0230 (and BTW, DigiDX UT Sat at 0230). Furthermore, still shows Unique Radio from Aussie Tim at 0300 UT Friday, rather than 1100 UT Saturday, a change Tim has already publicized, starting today, but I snoozed as usual that early. Also shows The Overcomer at 17-19 UT Mon/Tue/Wed only, why? Not on until *1900 Thu & Fri with other programming. Here despite being close to azimuth from Red Lion, WINB is never a bigsig at any hour, third-rate at best, unlike WRMI, WBCQ, WWCR, WTWW, WWRB, WHRI. I guess they must have fittingly lowest rates attracting non-religious clients (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9265, Tue Aug 30 at 1923 UT, WINB is on, but not at 1816 when I am also looking fruitlessly for WMLK on 9275. So much for WINB`s latest schedule dated Aug 14 claiming that on Mon/Tue/Wed only, The Overcomer is run at 17-19; gone again already? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WMLK Back on the Air
https://m.facebook.com/www.wmlkradio.net/
(Richard Langley, NB, UT Aug 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Someone can duplicate/forward the special 'WMLK_ F_B text into pure dxld item mail? A lot of DXers worldwide are NOT eager to use F-B constantly ... wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.) Ditto! (gh)

Recent items from their Facebook page. You'll have to go to Facebook to see the photos.

WMLK Radio August 10 at 9:17pm
The Engineer has returned to his work here at WMLK Radio. He installed the rebuilt choke commenting that it really looked good! He is now dynamically testing other parts of the circuit that caused the Avalanche effect that caused the choke to short out!

WMLK Radio August 12 at 2:52pm
Because the pulse firing circuitry was found to be insufficient in the amplitude needed to fire the diodes that regulate the rectifier units, the Engineer designed and is building the unit to correct this deficiency. This will increase the efficiency of these stages. Prior to this the firing pulse was borderline in firing amplitude.

WMLK Radio August 12 at 2:56pm
It seems that with every two steps forward it has one step back. A power supply was found to have a large capacitor shorted out. The replacement was ordered yesterday (Thursday) and was received this AM (Friday). The problem is being solved directly. Praise Almighty Yahweh!

WMLK Radio August 12 at 5:36pm
Update: The Power supply has been repaired, turned on and is producing the correct voltage. This unit will be left on until we return to work on the first day of the week! We want to be sure that it will remain stable in/under operating conditions.

WMLK Radio August 15 at 9:30am
The Engineer began testing the rectifier units pulse firing angles. He has found some problems in the firing angle phase relationships. He is working to correct these problems. He hopes to apply some power to the

TX this week.

WMLK Radio August 16 at 9:30am
Some progress was made during testing on Monday. Each rectifier unit was tested for viability. Some problems still exist but the set did rise up to 75 KW output. Power kept purposely low for testing purposes. More work to be done today.

WMLK Radio August 26 at 4:23pm
After a hot stressful period the WMLK Radio station was up and running and being tested. A battery of components failed several weeks ago! Parts had to be located and secured for repair. Thank you for your patience! I can assure each and every supporter and interested person we have been diligent in this matter! Thank you for your views and comments!

WMLK Radio August 28 at 12:01pm
Got an early start on modulation testing this AM. The Engineer wanted to test audio modulation so he had me put on music around 10:00 AM. The plan is to broadcast WMLK Radio's regular programming at 12:00 PM EDT. Stay tuned! Thank you for listening to WMLK,Radio!

WMLK Radio August 28 at 7:27pm
Today WMLK Radio broadcast for ~1 1/2 hours of music followed by 5 hours of regular programming! The repairs and modifications were worth the wait! It was by our estimation the best broadcast to date, Praise Almighty Yahweh for his great mercy!
(via -- Richard Langley, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DXLD)

9275, Aug 30 at 1632, 1816 and 1923 chex, no signal from WMLK, which allegedly resumed transmissions Aug 28, per their Facebook, via Richard Langley. Problem was fixing the power supply. I`ve yet to see any real logs of it, and not from me today. Remember: don`t say ``God``, but be sacred, say ``Yahweh``. Even the China radio war vs RFA Saipan is JB audible on 9355 at 1816 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 720, Aug 29 at 1141 UT, Spanish call-in classifieds, for sale items with an AC 830 phone, i.e. the region around San Antonio, so this is KSAH Universal City, which per new NRC AM Log is 10000/890 watts U4, 24 h // KSAH-FM 104.1, ``Ranchero 104.1``. But official FCC sunrise in Aug is not until 1200 UT (September: 1215 UT) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 770, Aug 30 at 0158 UT, dominant signal is talk about football, drops off at 0200 UT before any ID, or ``good night to our listeners to the east``, no doubt KKOB Albuquerque NM, as 0200 UT is official FCC sunset in August (September: 0115 UT). KKOB is reliable

in switching U2 night/day patterns of balloon-snatching antennas from 50/50 kW North Valley transmitter (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 880-USB plus carrier, Aug 27 at 0325 UT, ads for Window Rock, Tse Bonito, football talk in English, i.e. KHAC AZ/NM. Altho KRVN NE can be minimized by nulling, KHAC`s lack of any LSB makes monitoring on USB essential. If one wanted to hear KRVN or anything else on 880, LSB is the way to go, as long as KHAC is obviously running 10 kW ND day power at night instead of 430 watts. Think of how we could double occupancy of the MW band if everystation had to be USB or LSB only! Oh, that would also require switchable receivers, not in common usage (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 920, UT Sat Aug 27 at 0323 UT, football talk show seems to be called ``The Binge``, or is it station slogan? Anyhow, it`s surely KARN Little Rock AR again, not on its licensed night pattern, circle tangent to southwest, but putting dominant signal here to the WNW. New NRC AM Log says slogan is ``The Sports Animal``. It seems the ``HSFB`` = high-school football season is underway, predominantly on Friday nights encouraging many stations to violate their night power and/or patterns, to the delight of DX station-counters --- but KARN seems to be doing this all the time, suspected on 5 kW ND. It was once a major LR station, KARK, flagship of the Arkansas Radio Network, and progenitor of channel 4 TV (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 930, VIRGINIA, WLLL, Lynchburg. 0942 August 28, 2016. Listener testimonials ("I've been listening to WLLL for 20 years") then male canned, "WLLL, Lynchburg" into Urban gospel vocals. Surely another day power violator, as they are 9000/42 -- (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1030, Aug 29 at 0132 UT, dominant signal plugs a Sept 13 event at the Botanical Garden of the Ozarx, but never says where it is. We`re supposed to know this has to be Fayetteville AR, or rather CoL Farmington`s KFAY, 6/1 kW U4. Maybe still on day power? Official FCC sunset in August is 0115 UT (September: 0030 UT). Major lobe both day and night goes southwest, but maybe enough to the west on day pattern. S9+20 before it fades; next PSA from CDC about mosquitoes (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1260, KMZT, Beverly Hills, CA was classical, now adult standards, old slogan: ìK-Mozartî, new: ìUnforgettable 1260î (Bob Wein, Broadcasting Information, IRCA DX Monitor Sept 3 via DXLD)

Wonder if classical be gone for good this time, and can call change be far behind? (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. [NRC-AM] WOMP OH off channel on 1289.71 --- WOMP was IDed a few minutes ago bothering WHIO's HSFB with ID and ESPN mention. 73 KAZ Barrington IL. Perseus and 2 element D-KAZ Phased Array aimed eastish (Neil Kazaross, 1:15 AM [UT zone?] Aug 27, NRC/ABDX/IRCA via DXLD)

** U S A. 1290, Aug 27 at 0602 UT, immediately upon tune-in, ID as ``Oldies 1290 and 102.7, WIRL`` --- the slogan given in the new NRC AM Log, starting ``Good Time Oldies ---`` for this Peoria IL station. 102.7 is really translator W274BM. I was looking for WOMP Bellaire OH, off frequency at 1289.71, as KAZ in IL had reported a few hours earlier, but not traced here: that`s listed in NRC AM Log as 1000/33 watts ND (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. "Sports radio station is KRAP" (KRAP-1350 Washington, MO) It's a shame not to allow these calls to be used for a political talk station:
http://www.stltoday.com/entertainment/television/dan-caesar/media-views-sports-radio-station-is-krap/article_654662fe-dd94-57de-a781-82f58c7dd4c3.html

The station's web site lists "current news items" which actually date from last May all the way back to 2014:
http://www.sportskrap.com/
(Tim Hall, CA, Aug 24, ABDX via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DXLD)

It`s also a former SW station as referenced here: (gh)

Call letter changes, old to new
1350, KWMO Washington, MO, to KRAP
(Sept [2014] MW News via DXLD)

Besides the strange choice of new calls! This one used to produce a third harmonic on 4050, in the middle of the night when supposed to be on peanut-power. See several of my logs in 2010, 2011; and first(?) reported in 2008y by David Hodgson
http://www.w4uvh.net/dxld8133.txt
(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST 14-36 via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, 16-34)

** U S A. 1360, Aug 30 at 0153 UT, YL opening `Messianic Perspective` program with Dr Gary Hedrick; odd time, but maybe it`s only a 5-minuter. I think we can rule out Amarillo or El Dorado KS, as EWTN would not be running such an unCatholic program. No 1360 stations in OK, adjacent, or second-adjacent states on program website listings, so I look for likelies in the NRC Pattern Book and AM Log: A good prospect is KHNC, Johnstown CO, 10/1 kW U4, talk/religion. State-by-state search on program site for affiliates doesn`t find any 1360s
http://www.cjfm.org/stations/colorado/
and in Colorado, KRKS 990 is the only one listed.

However, program guide of KHNC
http://1360am.co/index.php/program-guide/
shows:
6:00pm mst Ahavat Torah (R)
7:00pm mst Alex Jones (R)
So they do run Messianic stuff, and this one could have been crammed into an end-of-hour break during Alex. 10 kW ND day pattern lasts in August until 0200 UT (September: -0115 UT) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1380, Aug 31 at 0142 UT, ``Una seÒal llena de vida, Vida 13-80`` ID at tune-in, then `Concepto Financiero` -- for Christians, natch. KRCM Shenandoah TX is *still* obviously running 22 kW day power and pattern at night, dominating frequency here, with local KCRC 1390 easily minimized by LSB tuning. (Can you think of a less Hispanic CoL name than Shenandoah?? But address in Pasadena can be taken as Spanish) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1530, KGBT, Harlingen, TX was Spanish news-talk, now Spanish religion, old slogan: ìUnivisiÛn Americaî, new: ìAmor Celestial 1530 AMí (Bob Wein, Broadcasting Information, IRCA DX Monitor Sept 3 via DXLD)

** U S A. OLD CALL, CITY OF LICENSE, NEW CALL:
1400, KQMS Redding, CA, KNRO
1670, KNRO Redding, CA, KQMS
(Bob Wein, Broadcasting Information, IRCA DX Monitor Sept 3 via DXLD)

** VANUATU. 3944.2, R. Vanuatu (presumed), 1250 on Aug 27 (Saturday), noted decent level open carrier with audio just hovering at the threshold level, with announcer and music; some ham QRM; so they are continuing with their recently expanded schedule; by 1338 they had switched to delayed sports coverage (assume delayed, as it would be 12:38 AM their local time); strong background noise from the roar of the fans at the game (very noticeable and not heard earlier), with announcer giving coverage; poor; some slight improvement around my local sunrise at 1335 UT. ID'ing it solely on the basis of the unique frequency; never strong enough to actually hear an ID.

This weekend reception only possible with the weekend schedule of Japan ("RN2") signing off on 3945, at 0900* (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Vanuatu inactive 1179 kHz --- Espiritu Santo - Luganville - St. Michele 15 32 05s, 167 09 12e. 73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, Aug 29, mwmasts yg via DXLD)

I am grateful to Mauno for finding another Oceania site. I am slightly confused however since Google Earth has apparently taken a very new image of the site. What confuses me is that there is absolutely no change between any of the historical images which apply to that area. The devastation caused by cyclone Pam when it hit Vanuatu on 13 March 2015 was huge. Reports that the station has been quiet since then would not be surprising. The Google Earth images tell a different story. Any further information would be welcomed. 73 and 88 (Dan Goldfarb, England, ibid.)

Radio Vanuatu has been quite active on SW; I can confirm such, having heard it in 2016. It does suffer from downtime but does spring back to live. I'm pretty sure they are still active on MW; at least their newly created website with streaming lists 1125 kHz, and I am fairly certain I heard an announcer mention the medium wave frequency when speaking in Bislama (Paul Walker, AK, ibid.)

** VATICAN. The final airing of the Vatican special DRM to HFCC Miami is coming up shortly, 1930-2000 on 17505-17510-17515. However, they were running it as early as August 13, so who knows, maybe they will also run it later than specified (Glenn Hauser, 1901 UT Aug 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Vatican Radio sound quality

For those who wonder about the sound quality of DRM broadcasts, here is a recording of what I heard yesterday afternoon (Thursday 25/8/16 at 1930-2000 UT) while I sat drinking a beer on the deck, waiting for our supper to cook, with my Avion DR1401) and the Sony AN-LP1 loop attached). It is the Vatican R b/c to the Miami HFCC conference and it has about 95% audio decoding. My wife, who sat next to me with her wine, was not distracted by noises coming out of my shortwave radio; this may be an important proof of performance for DRM. I am in Eastern Newfoundland.

Received on 17510 kHz and recorded as an .mdi file on my Avion set. The .mdi file was played back on the Avion and recorded as .wav file (via line input) on a Roland R-05 recorder. In turn, this file was imported into Sound Forge for conversion into a VBR MP3 file for uploading. In so doing, I did one small amount of audio EQ: I boosted fqq around 1000 Hz by about 1 dB.

DRM enthusiasts sometimes quote the DRM consortium talk about "near-FM quality" of sound. In my experience, HF DRM -- when received well -- is much more reduced from what I expect to hear on FM. The frequency range is often at least as good as AM radio, but compression is high and sibilant losses are noticeable. Nonetheless, it is clean and -- especially with music -- quite listenable. I find speech is often

muffled on DRM; various broadcasters use different EQ-arrangements, and sometimes speech is clearer. If DRM does grow as a widespread mode of broadcasting, the DRM Consortium really needs to set some EQ standards for clarity, standards that vary according to what is being aired. I suspect some broadcasters are using FM-radio EQ standards in their DRM feeds; this ain't working well.

MP3VBRVaticanRadioDRM25Aug2016at1930UTCAvionDR1401

The DRM b/c of Vatican Radio, Thursday 25 August 2016 (1930 - 2000 UTC) on 17510 kHz. Received in Eastern Newfoundland and recorded as an .mdi file. View on soundcloud.com

https://soundcloud.com/justfolk-853653903/
mp3vbrvaticanradiodrm25aug2016at1930utcaviondr1401
(Philip Hiscock, Aug 26, ibid.)

** VIETNAM [non]. 12005, Aug 27 at 0247, VOV in English but now VP signal via Woofferton. Same 250 kW, 282 azimuth as at 0100 when it`s usually better, but reception varies widely from night to night. Still not on 6175 as they think in Hanoi. But:

6175, Aug 27 at 0309, VOV in Spanish now here via WHRI, having switched from 12005 Woofferton at 0300. ACI splash from 6180 Brasil. English to follow at 0330.

12005, Aug 31 0110 at first thought VOV was gone, but then a JBA carrier, still from Woofferton (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

VOV finally seems to have its act together with a new English schedule effective Sept 1, showing the unspecified but WOF/WHRI relays as follows in Hanoi and UT:

Eastern America	8:00	1:00	6175 khz
Eastern America	9:30	2:30	6175 khz
Central America - Caribbean	9:30	2:30	7315 khz
Central America - Caribbean	7:00	0:00	7315 khz

7315, never used by VOV before, will surely be WHRI, but will 6175 still be WOF? Probably. Evidently the 0330 broadcast is gone, with two frequencies (and two sites?) at 0230 instead. And a new earlier one at 0000.

Full sked via Richard Lemke attached. No apology from them for the imaginary ``August`` sked previously distributed (Glenn Hauser, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7315, as it`s almost UT September 1, I`m tuned at 2359 UT Aug 31 for

Voice of Vietnam on new WHRI relay frequency: WHRI is on with own ID, and sure enough, 0000 UT Sept 1 opening VOV in English, S9+20 but fadey. Further chex: at 0036 it`s VOV in Spanish, something else new; at 0100 more VOV in English; at 0154 VOV in Spanish which would have started at 0130. It seems VOV does not announce its frequencies in either language at opening or closing.

At 0158, 7315 switches to LeSEA music, AIDS promo by WorldVision, 0159 WHRI OCS theme and ID, 0200 into slanted network news (USA?) in English, and now it`s // 9605, which WHRI is still leaving on after the 01-02 KBS WR Spanish relay. Recheck at 0258, 7315 with WHR in Spanish, English ID; 0300 clueless canned announcer says on 7315 ``now broadcasting on 6175``, and more USA R Network ``news``.

6175??? Well, I am checking this too all evening and it is not on now, nor was it ever on earlier. At 0317, 7315 is still on with praise music, like but not // WHRI 7385, and still no 6175.

All this was prompted by a new ``effective September 1`` English schedule from VOV forwarded by Richard Lemke, Alberta, but not retracting the imaginary ``August`` schedule we soon debunked by real monitoring. Significant portion of it concerning North America, in sic disorder without sites specified, UT: [as above]

But this is also WRONG, at least not right, YET! As per my axual monitoring above, 7315 *is on* with VOV, English at 0000 & 0100, but at 0130 & 0230 it`s in Spanish. And 6175 is not on at all from anywhere!

12005, not detected earlier, but at 0205 UT September 1, JBA carrier, so seems as if Woofferton UK relay is still active, but high time for it to QSY to 6175. Maybe by the next night?

The current WHR program schedule is also wrong: for Angel 1:
http://lesea.com/whr/whr-iframe-page/?search=Angel1
Shows LeSEA programming on 7315 at 00-01, KBS on 9605 at 01-02, and VOV on 6175 at 0300-0430 --- NOT! And nothing relevant on the Angels 2 and 6 schedules.

I can`t find any SW schedule on VOV`s Spanish page
http://vovworld.vn/es-ES.vov
where you would never know it is even on SW. Those used to be at 0300-0330 & 0400-0430 on WHRI 6175. Also not clear if and when there will still be a Vietnamese language relay to North America; had been 0130-0230 on 12005 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Vietnam, another variant: All relay transmissions to Europe gone

The below included message quotes a German mailbag show from Aug 24 with the statement that Voice of Vietnam will cease all relay transmissions to Europe. If so 5955 from Moosbrunn, still shown in the just circulated schedule file, would go away as well (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Aug 31, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

-----Original-Nachricht-----
Betreff: [A-DX] Stimme Vietnams - umfangreiche ƒnderungen im Sendeplan ab 1. September 2016
Datum: 2016-08-30T22:42:31+0200
Von: "Frank Kreuzinger"

Die Stimme Vietnams wird zum 31. August 2016 alle Relaissendungen f¸r Europa beenden, so die Aussage in der Briefkastensendung vom 24.08.2016.

Das betrifft auch die Sendungen der Stimme Vietnams in deutscher Sprache, die bereits kurz nach dem Sendestart am 01. M%rz 2006 nicht mehr direkt aus Vietnam, sondern ab November 2006 aus dem Vereinigten Kˆnigreich und danach aus den Vereinigten Arabischen Emiraten ¸bertragen
wurden.

Die halbst¸ndigen Sendungen in deutscher Sprache kommen ab dem 01. September 2016 wieder direkt aus Vietnam.

Gesendet wird das Programm aus Son Tay bei Hanoi auf 7280//9730 kHz mit jeweils 100 kW um 18.30 und 20.00 UTC.

Relaissendungen in englisch und spanisch f¸r Amerika bleiben erhalten.

Ob die Relaisssendungen aus Wooferton mit 250 kW, Azimut 282 Grad (Richtung Nordamerika) in vietnamesisch und englisch von 01.00 bis 03.00 Uhr weiterhin ausgestrahlt werden, wurde in der Briefkastensendung nicht erw%hnt.

Um Empfangsberichte f¸r die deutschsprachigen Sendungen wird gebeten.
(Quelle: u.a. Briefkastensendung 24.08.2016/Infomail)

73 (Frank, Pirna, Deutschland, A-DX via Kai Ludwig, dxldyg via DXLD)

Google attempt at translation:

The Voice of Vietnam is 31 August 2016, all relays broadcasts for quit Europe, so the statement in the mailbox broadcast from 08.24.2016.

This also concerns the program of Voice of Vietnam in German

Language that is not already shortly after its launch on 01 March, 2006. more directly from Vietnam, but from November 2006 from the United UK and then transferred from the United Arab Emirates were.

The half-hour program in German come from the 01. September 2016 again directly from Vietnam. The program is broadcast from Son Tay in Hanoi on 7280 // 9730 kHz with each 100 kW at 18:30 and 20:00 UTC.

Relay transmissions remain in English and Spanish for America.

Whether the relay broadcasts from Woofferton with 250 kW, azimuth 282 degrees (For North America) in Vietnamese and English 01:00 to 03:00 will continue to watch broadcast, was not in the letterbox broadcast mentioned. To receive reports for the German program is requested.
(Source: inter alia letterbox broadcast 24.08.2016 / Info Mail)
73 Frank Pirna, Germany (via gh, DXLD)

** YEMEN [non]. Reception of Republic of Yemen Radio, Aug.30
0600-0900 on 11860 JED 050 kW / non-dir to N/ME Arabic
0900-1800 on 11860 unknown tx / unknown to N/ME Arabic
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/reception-of-republic-of-yemen-radio.html
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZAMBIA. 5915, Aug 14, 2300. It`s after 2300 now and 5915 Zambia is still on. Wonder if they're staying on all night. Good signal here and a pleasure to listen to (Dave Valko, PA, SW Bulletin Aug 28 via DXLD)

Indeed they are. Great signals here !! (Chuck Rippel, ibid.)

** ZAMBIA. 9680, Voice of Hope Africa, 0504, Aug 31. In English; announcer with African accent giving today's program schedule; several IDs; religious singing; mostly fair (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZANZIBAR [and non]. HF/SW Conditions August 30th 1600-1700 UT

Shortwave conditions stunk today. They stunk worse then a cow patty left in the summer sun for few day!

Time: 1600-1700 UT
Location: Galena, Alaska (Rural central interior, halfway between Nome & Fairbanks)
Equipment: Tecsun PL880, 225 foot long wire oriented north south and 225 foot long wire oriented east west, EmTech ZM2 Antenna Tuner, Workman Antenna Switch and DXEngineering RPA-1PLUS HF PreAmp

Zanzibar Broadcasting Corporation`s 11735 kHz which is usually at least fairly listenable on average days and nearly like a local here

in Alaska on GOOD days was mushier then an old person`s oatmeal today. The RTTY interference somewhere around 11737 kHz continues (Paul Walker, Galena AK, ptsw yg via DXLD) I logged the RTTY recently (gh)

UNIDENTIFIED. TP carrier search August 29 at 1140 UT: JBA on 774 from NW, so NHK; very weak on 882; at 1146 west on 702 so Australia or NZ, and 666. But something on 594 seems to peak N/S --- that can`t be right. Those were on the DX-398. Then at 1151 I find whether I can hear any of them on the R75 with E-W longwire: yes on 774, 702. Today`s Enid sunrise: 1201 UT (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Re trans-Pacific MW carrier search: ``at 1146 UT Aug 29, something on 594 seems to peak N/S --- that can`t be right. Those were on the DX-398``

594 INDIA INTO CENTRAL USA?

Now it dawns on me this could well be the megawatt in Chinsurah, INDIA: ``Akashvani Maitree channel on 594 kHz beamed to Bangladesh``

Grayline would work, as sunset in Kolkata is about 1225 UT, and sunrise here 1202 UT. Make that trans-polar! The path goes about 5 degrees from the North Pole, across Cold Bay and The Pas in Canada, 13440 km or 8351 miles to Enid; 74.4 watts per km, or 13.44 meters per watt (if it were strictly along the surface) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Walt Salmaniw, Victoria BC, replies: ``Glenn, I don't think any of us on the PNW coast have ever heard [India] 594. Much more likely this time of year are DU stations. Normally in the Fall/Winter, it's a major NHK frequency. Perhaps Patrick Martin [OR] just might have heard your station?``

Well, this was looping too far north for Japan, and certainly for Down Under. Will try to refine the DF if I have another chance (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Unless you heard some distinctive music or established a parallel or online stream, I'd say with 99% certainty that you were tuning in Japan. India is indeed possible on the West Coast -- with better than average antennas and receivers and ideal conditions. We are currently at a medium low point in the DX season which "should" turn around in the next 2 - 3 weeks if past experience is any guide. ñ (Colin Newell - Editor and creator of Coffeecrew.com and DXer.ca - VA7WWV, IRCA via DXLD)

This makes me think of the time a few weeks ago I thought I had A3Z Tonga and it turned out to be CRI, China. Dangblasted! PW (Paul

Walker, AK, IRCA via DXLD)

I would normally defer to the expertise of the Pacific Northeast MW DXers on this, but you seem to be ignoring the factors I am basing this on --- DF from the north, the existence of a grayline path at this hour, and a megawatt to start with. I was getting 774 Japan carrier about the same time at its usual northwest DF, and 594 was definitely not the same direxion. A transpolar grayline from India would not apply to your location. I hope other DXers in central North America will give this a try just before local sunrise. I am not likely to be able to pull any audio. Language at that time is Bangla/Bengali. A simple DX-398 is handy for DFing vs big fixed antennas. 73, (Glenn Hauser, OK, ibid.)

Nothing else to add - in 40+ years of DXing, I've never picked up India over Japan in late August. Anything is possible (Colin Newell, ibid.)

The end of August can be a strange and interesting time for transpolar signals. There were TA carriers in western Canada a couple of nights ago after quite a short period of quiet conditions. Unfortunately, the 29th was the one morning my SDR recordings failed, but the signal strength monitor recording looked lively, and this morning (30th) showed the first signs of mainland China this season as geomagnetic conditions worsened. At 1320 UT when we had our grayline to India, JOAK ruled the roost, no argument. There were two other carriers as well as JOAK however: 0.4 and 0.6 lower, 0.9 and 1.9 Hz higher, plus a couple of others, and some got within 10dB or so of JOAK (briefly).

So, I won't join the naysayers on this. I would encourage other DXers in the central part of the continent to hunt for this at that time, though likely it will have to wait until the current geomagnetic upset works itself out. Once we're right into the thick of the season, I suspect chances will become slimmer, as arctic conditions become more "normal". best wishes, (Nick Hall-Patch, Victoria BC, ibid.)

Isn't that the beauty of DXing? One just never knows! One day it's one channel, and on the next, something completely different. This brings me back to November, 3 years ago in PEI, when 1566 AIR was just booming in for several hours. Yep, armchair copy at 3:00 in the afternoon. Anything is possible! 73, (Walt Salmaniw, ibid.)

The link for live steaming of 594 kHz Akashwani Maitree is available in the following link:
http://airworldservice.org/responsive-audio-player/bangla.php#
(Jose Jacob, Hyderabad, India, dxldyg via DXLD)

Glenn, what about next time feeding 1 kHz SSB audio from your comms rx to your computer and check by Argo or similar software the frequency offset if any? AIR is 6 Hz below nominal, NHK on nominal, ABC +1. 73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, IRCA via DXLD)

We may now relax --- I monitored 594 continuously from 1130 UT today, and found a very steady signal which continued past 1430 UT ---- 2.5 hours after sunrise, so never mind Kolkata (unless it`s groundwave, ha ha). Amazing coincidence that *something else* would be putting a signal on its exact split frequency from its direxion. Not inside my household, at least. Possibly spur from my local 960 KGWA which is about the same angle from here. I will be driving around to confirm that or not. Full report to follow. 73, (Glenn, 1449 UT August 31, ibid.) Viz.:

594, after receiving a carrier from the north Aug 29 at 1146 UT, which fit for the megawatt from Kolkata along the grayline, on Aug 31 I`m up early to start monitoring at 1130, a semi-hour before local sunrise: today there are no `regular` TP carriers like 774 Japan or Australia, but 594 is back! It`s right on 594.0 as I calibrate the DX-398 USB offset clix against 540.0 XETX.

This is a very steady but weak signal, far too little to pull any audio. If only they would/could cut carrier for a ``CW`` ID test. Repeated DFing puts it slightly CCW from due north, about 355, which is exactly the direxion of Kolkata. I`m expecting it to be fading out by 1230 --- but it doesn`t. In fact still there at ``full`` strength by 1300, 1337, 1420 --- and in full daytime.

Unless it`s groundwave (hi hi), can`t be Kolkata, but something much closer. Occurs to me that my local 960 KGWA is about the same angle from here, could be spur from it? I walk around the block and find the same signal and angle, so it`s not from within the household. I`ll be driving around Enid to see if it`s stronger near KGWA site and if the DF change significantly. -366 kHz would be an odd spur, and there is nothing at +366 kHz = 1326.

I conveyed the disappointing news to IRCA group et al., where several stories came in of other cases involving inexplicable carriers on 9-kHz bandplan frequencies which did not/could not turn out to be real DX, and will put them in DXLD.

There 594 is again, Sept 1 around 1250 UT. Another reason India was unlikely, from Sudipta Ghose, VU2UT: ``The 3 x 400 kW transmitter of AIR Maitri uses directional antenna pointed towards East. The configuration is generally 2 x 350 kW using a combiner. In very favourable situation it is likely to propagate to Pacific as my fertile brain imagines``.

Another idea: harmonic from a longwave beacon? Bill Hepburn`s list shows the only one on 297 kHz is NH from Nouakchott, Mauritania. How about 198 kHz x 3? Only North Carolina, and China. Ken Zichi of MARE logged a DGPS in Bobo, Mississippi on 297. And nothing audible here on either LW frequency at 1825 Sept 1 (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Maddening, isn't it? I've occasionally had locally (or area)-generated spurs sitting EXACTLY on a 9-kHz split frequency, but often looping in nonsensical directions for the time of day, propagation paths, etc. After being dumbfounded, I finally say, "Aw, no WAY that's a trans-oceanic signal!!" We get really decent hets from the "real thing(s)" seldom enough here in the dead center of the continent as it is (Randy Stewart, Battlefield MO, NRC-AM via DXLD)

I remember way back in 1969, living in Northern NJ, using a Hammarlund HQ-100 (single conversion) and a short wire antenna from about 30 miles west of NYC. Tuning around one evening I noted a het on 1421. I played with it a bit and got audio. In German. Back then Saar was on 1421. Thought I had my first TA. In a roundabout way, I did, because it was almost certainly some sort of an image from SW. What are the odds ??? (Russ Edmunds, 15 mi NW Phila, Grid FN20id, ibid.)

I think it may have been likely that it was indeed Germany on 1421 -- Because TA's came thick and fast on many more basic radios - often with little more than the loop-stick for an antenna. I once told an aspiring DXer near Halifax that he could easily hear the UK on his Sony 7600G -- He thought that was impossible -- and I suggested tuning to 1215 or 1089 around sun-set any day of the week in September. Sure enough, there it was.

One part of the success formula for DXing is actually believing that it is possible. I picked up a copy of Communications World in 1973 that had a feature in Trans-Atlantic and Trans-Pacific MW DX. It blew my mind - but I set about to be the best TP and TA DXer I possibly could. And eventually I was hearing TA's and TP's on DX150B with a 3 X 3' home-brew loop (Colin Newell, BC, ibid.)

The main reasons I discounted it were 1) I never heard any easy splits from there with that setup; 2) when I subsequently relocated another 10-12 miles west, and upgraded to an HQ-150 (dual conversion) and a loop, I did start to hear TA's for real, but it was several months before I had any on 1 kHz splits; 3) as I got used to the new receiver, I came to realize just how many images and mixing products of all kinds the HQ-100 actually produced. I did eventually hear Saar on 1421 a year or so later (Russ Edmunds, 15 mi NW Phila, ibid.)

DXing on the coast in a rural area, India is quite rare here, even with antennas aimed in that general direction. I have two to date, AIR 864 Shillong (100 kW) that John Bryant's student IDed for me (QSL'd), and AIR 1566 IDed for the India DX Club. It takes excellent conditions and the skip in the right direction. I figure on mornings when Thailand 891 was booming in, I had a shot at that part of Asia. It happens with India, Bangladesh (558) as well as Nepal. But again it is not common here. I would be very surprised if anyone could log it from the center of the US. The NF guys have gotten it as well as some of us on the West Coast. I have friends in Asia that gets India often, but they are a lot closer.

I know I have never logged India here on 594. 1134 is heard in Hawaii, but never IDed here either. 1566 is probably the most common, if you can call them that. When I have that Sub continental DX, it is always after LSR (Patrick Martin, Seaside OR, ibid.)

We have a doozy in the Victoria area on 576 ñ is spot on the channel to within the Hertz, clean as a whistle, TA bearing, even comes and goes in the local evening in a sort of vague fashion. Dreams of South Africa took awhile to fade when chasing that one. best wishes, (Nick Hall-Patch, IRCA via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1349.2, Aug 31 at 0144 UT, JBA carrier, hetting 1350 stations; some station off-frequency (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1499.17, Aug 31 at 0139 UT, JBA carrier, hetting KSTP 1500. This is not the same as the wobbly spurs about 0.5 kHz above and below 1500 which are also occasionally heard. Logged on the NRD-545, but also had a JBA carrier on about 1499.2, via the R75, Aug 30 at 0600 UT. Which North American station is off-frequency? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1499.17, Aug 31 at 0603 UT, JBA carrier is still here from some 1500 off-frequency? No replies seen to my previous inquiry (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Station with Peruvian style noticed 30.08.16 on 4796 kHz, 0245 UT -
3008201620208 4796 kHz - unid Peruvian station
https://youtu.be/uu34nKm9ToI
Published on Aug 30, 2016

``4796 kHz, 02:45 - 03:02 UTC, short announcement at 01:38 on video. Received in Moscow region 30.08.16 on Degen 1103, built-in whip antenna`` [YT caption]

Is there any information about it? Best regards, (Eduard Korsakov, Moskva, Russia, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Here`s where Aoki can be useful with all its defunct/inactive LA listings: ``4796 R. Mallku 0930-0100 1234567 Spanish/Quechua 2 ND Uyuni BOLIVIA 2027S 06650W Mallku``

Last report I can find of it, no doubt based on unique frequency rather than real ID: ``Bolivia, 4795.96, Radio Mallku, 0958-1005,   At tune in heard music being presented. Signal was too weak to copy any details. Music continues through the top of the hour. Signal was threshold (Chuck Bolland, Florida, March 25, 2011, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Wasn't Mallku renamed Radio Lipez around 2009? 73, (Jari Savolainen, Finland, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Thank you, yes, I remember, Radio Lipez was the last one on 4796 kHz (Eduard Korsakov, ibid.)

Not sure of when it changed, but this year`s DSWCI DBS list of deleted stations shows the new name was last heard only three years ago:
``4795,9 BOL R Lipez, Uyuni, PotosÌ AUG13``
(Glenn Hauser, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6946.60, Aug 27 at 0251, the mostly open carrier with occasional RTTY bursts is now running a continuous loud tone (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7692.0-USB, Aug 27 at 0300, colloquial Spanish 2-way discussing vuelos (flights), airports mentioned including Harlingen, Houston, Xalapa; also refers to ``el negrito`` and ``el negro``, casual Mexican racism? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. EGYPT, station with Egyptian music on air, Aug 30
0925-0930 on 9600 unknown transmitter site, fair to good today
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/unidentified-station-with-egyptian.html

EGYPT, station with Egyptian music on air, Aug 31
0905-0916 on 9600 unknown transmitter site, very good signal:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/09/unidentified-station-with-egyptian_1.html
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 9899-9922, Aug 27 at 2338, approx. range of pulsing, seems like OTH radar rather than usual ute in this area; peaks circa 9913 at S2 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS
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No thanks this week for financial support, since none has been received via PayPal to woradio at yahoo.com, not necessarily in US funds, nor check or MO in US funds on a US bank to P O Box 1684, Enid OK, 73702 (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Thanks, Glenn, for all the efforts you put in keeping radio news available for everyone! Regards, (George, NJ3H, Redmond, Oregon USA)

Glenn Hauser began his DXing career providing tips and loggings for Radio Canada International and Radio Nederland. His monthly/quarterly magazine "Review of International Broadcasting" later became the online "DX Listening Digest". Glenn has produced and been the on-air personality of the famous "World of Radio" program which is aired weekly on various radio stations (WOR has been around over 35 years!). You can find when/where World of Radio is broadcasting as well as a plethora of other information on his WOR website
http://www.worldofradio.com/
(Joe Robinson, Beginner`s Classroom, Sept ODXA via DXLD)

PUBLICATIONS
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NRC AM Log 2016

The new AM Log looks great! It includes a new "By State" section in the back that will be very helpful.

Unsolicited endorsement: The NRC AM Log continues to be the most accurate source of AM Radio stations in the U.S. and Canada. It has been since John Callarman hand-typed the First Edition on mimeograph stencils in 1968 in Greater Boston (Marc DeLorenzo, South Dennis, Cape Cod, Massachusetts, IRCA via DXLD)

Highly recommended! Get it while it`s hot: ordering info:
http://www.nrcdxas.org/catalog/books/index1.html#ARL
(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

DX LANDKARTE VON NILS SCHIFFHAUER

Neues von Nils Schiffhauer: Eine schˆne Landkarte f¸r DXer, die uns zeigt was sonst noch auf Kurzwelle los ist und dass man da zwischen Fiji und Cayenne, zwischen Chagos und Taschkent noch schˆnes DX mit dem unbewaffneten Ohre machen kann. Auch diese Japanische Marine vor der K¸ste Somalias (Aufkl%rungsflugzeuge) lassen den Hˆrer noch am

richtigen Leben teilhaben.
https://dk8ok.org/2016/08/15/audio-log-and-google-maps/
Die Verkn¸pfung von Audio und Google Maps ist hier sehr gut gelˆst.
Danke Nils! (73 Christoph Ratzer via A-DX) Google translation:

DX MAP from NILS SCHIFFHAUER

News from Nils schiffhauer: A beautiful map for DXers showing us what
else is going on shortwave and that one can make nice DX with the
unaided ear between Fiji and Cayenne, between Chagos and Tashkent.
These Japanese Navy off the Somali coast (reconnaissance aircraft) let
the listener partake still real life.
https://dk8ok.org/2016/08/15/audio-log-and-google-maps/
The linking of audio and Google Maps is solved very well here. Thanks
Nils! (73 Christoph Ratzer via A-DX via SW Bulletin Aug 28 via DXLD)

CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES
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HFCC Miami PPT's :

Voice of Hope
http://hfcc.org/doc/HFCC_REP_2016-005-B16-presentation_Voice_of_Hope.pdf

ITU 1
http://hfcc.org/doc/HFCC_REP_2016-002-B16-ITU_presentation_HFBC_Ilham_Ghazi.pdf

ITU 2
http://hfcc.org/doc/HFCC_REP_2016-004-B16-ITU_presentation_WRC_15_outcomes.pdf
Regards, (Alokesh Gupta, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Continental Electronics 70 years - Presentation at HFCC, Miami
http://hfcc.org/doc/HFCC_REP_2016-003-B16-CEC_presentation_70_Years.pdf
---- (Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

THE 23RD ANNUAL MADISON-MILWAUKEE GET-TOGETHER

took place on Saturday, August 20, and what a day it was. Our hosts,
Mark Taylor and Bill and Nina Dvorak, reserved a beautiful spot in a
Madison park with a great lake view, lots of open space, and a large
shelter with plenty of seating. Instead of going to a restaurant this
year, we enjoyed a delicious catered dinner at the park. 41 DXers
attended, representing many aspects of the radio hobby, and as always,
several broadcast band DXers were there. Regulars and first timers
enjoyed renewing friendships and meeting new people, and that is the
heart of what this event is about. No one who was there will soon
forget the beautiful setting, the catered meal, and the dayís
unrelenting wind. The conversations, all the radios and all the fun

made it a really great day, and Mark and the Dvoraks are truly to be congratulated. We will continue the tradition next year, hosting the 24th gathering at our home in Oak Creek (in the southern part of the Milwaukee area) just before the eclipse, on Saturday August 19 2017 and we hope you will join us. 73, and best of luck in the new DX season (Tim Noonan, 801 East Park Boulevard, Oak Creek, Wisconsin 53154 DXing2@aol.com DX Forum, IRCA DX Monitor Sept 3 via DXLD)

2016 KANSAS CITY CONVENTION SCHEDULE via Ernie Wesolowski

Thursday, September 8 2016
Guests arrive by air (free airport shuttle), train, bus and cars
6:00 Registration in meeting room. HOSTS: Dale Hamm, Ernie Wesolowski, Carl Dabelstein, Steve Francis and Carl Mann.
Questions and Info: 402-319-0997

Dinner on your own at near-by restaurants (see enclosed maps)

Friday, September 9 2016
6:30-9:00 Breakfast in hotel lobby: free for hotel guests
8:00-9:00 Registration in front lobby, Dale, Ernie, Carl, Steve and Carl

Meeting room opens ñ convention begins
9:00 Assemble outside back door of hotel for car pools to tours
9:45 1. Tour of WDAF-TV 4 ñ Carrie Hibbeler
2. Tour of KMBZ-980/KCSP-610 studios ñ John Morris CE
3. Lunch at either McDonalds, Runza or Taco Bell
4. Tour of Cumulus Media ñ KCMO-710 ñ Dennis Eversoll CE
3:00 5A. Visit Truman Presidential Library ($8.00 fee. Allow 1.5 hours)
5B. Drive through downtown Kansas City, then back to hotel
4:15 Glenn Hauser (from Oklahoma) ñ Questions and Answers (meeting room)
6:00 Pizza party at Minskyís Pizza, 7007 NW Barry Rd, I-29 Exit 8 then SW (included in registration)
8:00 IRCA annual business meeting (meeting room) ñ Nick Hall-Patch
8:30 Gathering in meeting room
12:00M Good night

Saturday, September 10 2016
6:30-9:00 Breakfast in hotel lobby: free for hotel guests
8:00 Meeting room opens
8:30 ìTech Talksî (meeting room)
1. Mark Durenberger ñ The Ultimate DX: The Square Kilometer Array (~8:45)
2. Randy Schulze ñ The Story of the FCCs Grand Island Monitoring Station (~9:10)

3. Nick Hall-Patch ñ A Review of Practical MW/LW Antennas (~10:00)
4. Mark Durenberger ñ Remote Control of Flag/Delta Antennas (~10:40)
5. Neil Kazaross ñ FM Antenna Fundamentals (~11:00)
6. Dave Fischer/Skip Dabelstein ñ The Nebraska Beverage Project (~11:20)
7. Mike Lantz ñ The Miami Radio Hotbed (~12:10)

12:30 Lunch on your own

1:30 A. Drive by the WHB-810 and KCMO-710 transmitters and Truman Sports Complex
B. Active D-KAZ antenna demo ñ back yard
C. Gregg Ottinger ñ History of Music Surveys (meeting room)

2:20-4:30 Discussion plus buy, sell and trade Radio Music Surveys and stickers

5:15 Gather outside the front lobby for a group photo.
5:30 Group Photo(s)

6:00 Gathering Banquet in meeting room (included in registration)
Guest speaker: Dan Verbeck, newsman from KFEQ, KCUR-FM and KMBZ radio.

8:30 NRC business meeting in meeting room ñ Paul Swearingen/Shawn Axelrod

Memorial Service

8:50 Auction in meeting room ñ Paul Swearingen, Rick Dau and Todd Skaine
12:00M Good night

Sunday, September 11 2016
6:30-9:00 Breakfast in hotel lobby: free for hotel guests
9:15 The Gathering Quiz. Door prizes. Winner prize.
12:00N 2016 gathering ends. Have a safe trip home. See you next year!

On your own suggestions:

1:00 Kansas City Chiefs vs San Diego Chargers football game.
National World War 1 Museum. Main Street at 27th St, then Westward
Kansas City Union Station ñ 30 W Pershing Rd (Main St).
Arabia Steamboat Museum ñ 400 Grand Blvd. ñ fee
FCC Complaint Office: Island at the center of the Missouri River
(IRCA DX Monitor Sept 3 via DXLD)

Information and Registration:
http://www.nrcdxas.org/convention/16nrccon/KansasCity.html

(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Seems I will be there (gh)

WORLD OF HOROLOGY
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``Because the Aleutian Islands cross the International Dateline, they contain the farthest western and eastern points of the United States``

- - - Bumper graphic ``factoid`` at the end of PBS Newshour Sept 2

NO, they don`t!!! Look at a map? and you will see the IDL zigzags to avoid doing that, putting all of AK east of it. Even tho by LONGITUDE, part the westernmost islands are in the eastern hemisphere. Duh! E.g.:

http://www.answers.com/Q/Does_part_of_Alaska_cross_the_international_date_line_and_therefore_is_also_the_most_Eastern_state_of_US
http://www.answers.com/Q/Does_Alaska_cross_the_international_date_line
(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

MASSACHUSETTS COULD SWAP TIME ZONES FOR LATER WINTER SUNSETS
August 29, 2016 -- 5:00 AM EDT

Of all the major cities on America's eastern seaboard, none is as far north or east as Boston. Which creates a slight problem in winter: The sun sets really early. As in, for most of December, well before happy hour.

The state, it appears, might do something about that. Governor Charles Baker recently signed a bill ordering a study of the wisdom of moving its 10,555 square miles into a time zone that would brighten the end of the day in the months the Northern Hemisphere tilts away from the sun.

The idea came from Quincy resident Tom Emswiler, who worries Massachusetts is losing college grads to sunnier climes. On Dec. 9 last year, the sun went down in Boston at 4:11 p.m., only 22 minutes later than in the Yukon.

There is indeed dissatisfaction among young people with a city that can go dark about three hours after lunch. "You look out the window and it shoots your day," says Sahil Bhaiwala, 21, a Boston University mathematics and economy major headed into his senior year. "All you feel like doing is going home, making dinner and going to bed."

To keep the likes of Bhaiwala from running off to Silicon Valley, Emswiler says, Massachusetts should throw in with those who live in the Atlantic Time Zone, which covers eastern Canada, the Caribbean and

parts of South America, and do away with changing the clocks in spring and summer. From November through March, the sun would set an hour later than it does now, and those brutish winter days would lose some of their sting.

Physiological Costs

The sun would rise an hour later too, but the thinking is that darkness in the morning is less depressing than darkness at the end of the day.

Emswiler, a 36-year-old health-care administrator, first suggested the time-zone switch two years ago in a Boston Globe op-ed, to which he says reader feedback was voluminous and enthusiastic. His piece outlined the physiological costs of going on and off daylight saving time -- medical research has pointed to more heart attacks in the three days following clocks being moved forward in spring -- and argued sticking to one time would be economically and psychologically beneficial.

In making his case, he also cited a 2013 Boston Federal Reserve study that showed New England had the lowest retention rate of college graduates than all other parts of the country, with only about 63 percent of the class of 2008 still in Massachusetts a year after earning diplomas.

Wind-Chill Factors

"We're in competition for talent with places like New York and California," Emswiler said on Bloomberg Radio's Baystate Business Hour. "And if we can make the sun set not at 4 p.m. when it's dark and cold and no fun outside, that'll make it a little more palatable."

Of course, as Emswiler acknowledges, people may quit Massachusetts for any number of reasons, everything from the high cost of living in Boston to the other difficulty with winter, which involves often large amounts of snow and wind-chill factors.

The legislative commission that will probe the matter was established as part of an economic development measure, and must report its findings by next July. Time changes have been under discussion in other states, though none have recently taken the step. California's legislature actually studied for a while a bill that would have effectively accomplished the opposite of what Massachusetts is considering: The proposal to quit daylight saving time would have brought darkness earlier in the evening during much of the year. California, it should be noted, has less of a sunshine shortage issue to worry about than Massachusetts.

Daylight saving time, or DST as it's called, is a relatively recent phenomenon. Benjamin Franklin made an early nod to the concept in a 1784 essay in which he humorously suggested Parisians change their sleeping habits to maximize their hours awake during daylight and save on candles. In 1916, Germany became the first country to use DST, to exploit sunlight and reduce evening use of incandescent lighting, thus saving fuel for World War I. The U.S. temporarily adopted it two years later, and most states later made it a rule.

Hawaii and most of Arizona don't observe DST. Before 2008, clocks in some Indiana counties sprung forward and fell back, while others didn't. That was confusing, as it might be if you drove over the Massachusetts border into, say, Connecticut and looked at your watch and found yourself 60 minutes apart from everybody else.

Emswiler figures a few other states in the region probably would need to sign on to the plan for it to generate enough support, and says there's great interest from people he knows in New York City. "This is a place that's really interested in a later sunset," he says. "Remember, they don't eat brunch on the weekends until 1 p.m." (via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV See also MEXICO
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WMDE 5/36 DECODING ISSUE

For the third time this morning, I decoded WMDE-5 Dover, Delaware, and got just a plain black screen on both the main channel and the 36,2 sub-channel. This was on both of my Insignia (Zenith) converter boxes. This morning I decided to see what I'd get on the LG TV. Lo and behold, a regular picture on 36.1 and regular color bars on 36.2. Since the black screen has been noted 3 times over many months, it is not a temporary glitch. I just checked, and the "program guide" info for WMDE on the Insignia box is fine. I know many of you have received WMDE, either tropo or by E-skip. Have you gotten the "black screen"? And for our engineering members, why would this happen? WMDE has the same ownership at WACP-4, and I've never seen this problem on WACP, which comes in here frequently. I am attaching pictures of the blank screen on the Insignia STB, and a snapshot of a regular decode on the LG TV (Chris Lucas - Poughkeepsie, NY - FN31bs
Insignia NS-DXA1-APT DTV Converter
Antennas Direct 91-XG UHF antenna @ 25', w/ CPA19 pre-amp
Antennacraft MXV-5100 VHF antenna @ 20', w/Channel Master 7778 pre-amp.
Winegard YA-6260 VHF-Lo antenna @ 14', w/Chromstar 2000 pre-amp.
Aug 28, WTFDA gg via DXLD)

The TSReader data I have for WMDE is from July 2015, but assuming nothing's changed, I see at least three different things wrong with it.

1) The PCR PID is set differently from the video PID. The PCR keeps the audio and the video in sync and is generally the same as the video PID. I've seen some receivers do strange things when the PCR is in the wrong place.

2) The video on 36-1 is in 1080i, but is flagged as a 4:3 aspect ratio. As most are well aware, 1080i is only available in the 16:9 aspect ratio. I can imagine a receiver seeing this invalid configuration and not knowing what to do with it.

3) This one is most likely the problem. The PSIP is saying the video is on PID 0x33 and the audio on 0x34, but the video is actually on 0x31 and the audio on 0x32. Neither pair of values is actually legal, but if they lined up, the receiver could probably deal with it. This is a problem I have seen regularly on stations in the past, and what you describe is the behavior--some receivers figure it out and a lot of them don't (- Trip Ericson, http://www.rabbitears.info ibid.)

Thanks Trip. You'd think by now, enough people would have complained about WMDE reception problems that something would have been done about it. Well at least the WACP engineer knows what he's (she's) doing (Chris Lucas, ibid.)

My understanding is that it's acceptable for the PCR to be on another stream (the audio, for example) although in practice I'm always seeing it on the video.

It does however need to be a stream that actually exists :)

The PCR seems to be defined differently in the PMT and in the TVCT. In the PMT it's 0x001f. In the TVCT it's 0x0011. The latter stream doesn't seem to exist.

That would explain why it works on some receivers but not others ñ some might look for it in the PMT, others in the TVCT.

> problem I have seen regularly on stations in the past, and what you describe is the behavior--some receivers figure it out and a lot of them don't.

Agreed, I think this is why it's not working. I'm not sure I'm seeing where the figures are not legal, but they're definitely *different*. Again, depending on which table your receiver looks to, it might or

might not work.

The scan for WACP makes a lot more sense. I'm thinking despite common ownership, the gear was configured by two different engineers.
(Doug Smith W9WI, Pleasant View, TN EM66, ibid.)

Sorry, yes, I misspoke. It's the PCR PID values that are illegal (being below 0x30), not the VPID and APID values (Trip, ibid.)

Ah. ATSC is complicated enough, I wasn't going to rule out the possibility there was a rule for PCR I didn't know about! It looks like they meant to input 0x0031 (hex) but somehow put it in as decimal instead. But that's just one of a number of oopses!
== (Doug Smith W9WI, Pleasant View, TN EM66, ibid.)

FCC TO RESTART AUCTION AT LOWER CLEARING TARGET

Round 27 results failed to trigger round 28

So now they do it all over again?

The forward portion of the auction, in which wireless providers bid on surrendered TV channels in 416 geographic ìpartial economic areas,î commenced Aug. 16 with a revenue goal of more than $88 billion. After 11 days of bidding, the 62 parties vying for the spectrum had committed bids totaling around a quarter of that ó $22.45 billion in net proceeds after discounts for rural and small business entities.

http://www.tvtechnology.com/news/0002/fcc-to-restart-auction-at-lower-clearing-target/279327
-- (via Mike Bugaj, Aug 31, WTFDA gg via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- IBOC See also OKLAHOMA: KFAQ
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THE FATE OF AM HD

KFI stopped broadcasting in AM HD (IBOC) on August 8 at 9:00 am, when their signal began simulcasting on KOST-FM-HD2. ìKFI was among the first to broadcast using HD, and it is ñ or was ñ considered one of the best success stories for HD digital broadcasts on the AM band.î

(ìIs KFI switch a sign AM radio is really dead?î by Richard Wagoner, Los Angeles Daily News, August 12 2016)

Despite the title of his article, Richard focuses more on the impending death of HD on AM than AM itself. On a positive note,

Richard says: ìThe loss of HD wouldnít be a bad thing if AM stations would open up their audio as they did during the AM stereo days; audio bandwidth was cut drastically on the analog signal to make room for the HD stream. Without HD, perhaps wideband AM can return. Wideband analog AM sounds wonderful on a good radio, though still noisier than HD.î

Elsewhere, XEKAM-950 was one of the first AM HD stations in Mexico. Canada was also late to IBOC, thanks to a failed attempt at a new digital radio frequency band. In the last few months, a lot of new FM HD stations have appeared, often piggy-backing one or two AM stations on HD2 and HD3. There are no known plans for any AM HD stations in Canada (Jon Pearkins, IRCA DX Monitor Sept 3 via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING -- DRM See also ASCENSION; INDIA; TAIWAN; VATICAN
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Re: New DRM receiver

``Could be a winner?`` Can you name one DRM receiver that was a winner? It makes me think of when SONY put out their last BETA deck 1998/99.

Sadly, DRM something that could have changed the way international broadcasters reach their audiences. But the DRM Consortium is so poorly managed, they seem to be in a perpetual testing stage.

Also with many who were part of the consortium having pulled out and huge technology changes since DRM was first launched, it's not dead in the water. The one area DRM has been successful is sending out breaking news. First the Russia, Brazil, and then India. Well the Russians pulled the plug, Brazil is not interested anymore and All India Radio spent millions converting many of its sites and nothing happening, except they are now looking at new technologies. Also the Avion DRM DRM receiver is no longer available.

What is the future? None. Those to head the DRM consortium are appointed and are on a whole bureaucrats. And just look at this thing. No design sense (Keith Perron, Aug 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Titus II at HFCC

http://hfcc.org/delivery/receivers.phtml
---- (Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, cumbre dx yg via DXLD)

I wonder if the new DRM receiver will encourage more stations to transmit in that mode. I notice that the BBC continues its early morning service on 3 MHz. As far as I know, it's a news service, and

the tiny French service on 3 MHz also continues. If interesting programmes are not broadcast, then who will bother to listen (Noel Green, UK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM
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FCC CONFIRMS FIELD OFFICE CLOSURES BEGIN IN 2017

http://www.radioworld.com/article/fcc-confirms-field-office-closures-begin-in-2017/279516
Sent from my iPad (Dennis Gibson, Aug 29, IRCA via DXLD)

NEW ICOM IC-R 8600 RX!
73 (Christoph Ratzer, via SW Bulletin Aug 28 via DXLD) Viz.:

The Icom IC-R8600 wideband communications receiver raises the bar on sophisticated radio monitoring. This ground breaking receiver made its world debut at the Tokyo Ham Fair on August 19, 2016. The IC-R8600 covers 0.01-3000 MHz (less cellular) in analog and several digital modes (D-STAR, P25, NXDN and dPMR). It has a large 4.3 inch touch screen display with spectrum scope and waterfall display (From Universal Radio via Thomas Nilsson, ed., ibid.)

Does the following make any sense to anybody outside Russia? (gh)

TECHNOLOGY RADIO RECEPTION - NEW TECHNOLOGIES: Mercury ANTENNA

For several decades, the people are legends about the magical properties of mercury antennas. Many even tried to produce their own.

Forerunner was a series of successful experiments on a top-secret Soviet test sites in 1972, details of which were leaked by accident due to an accident in a nearby village Isaev. After the experiment, all the women of this village were born children with dark skin (this is the newspaper "Pravda" in the feature article "How harvested potatoes students Patrice Institute Lumumba" - of course, "Pravda" has exposed the incident, as a result of the presence in the village on the students practice above high school).

On that fateful day, the villagers get a strong dose of the test at the site of mercury antennas. The test results exceeded all expectations. The effect was comparable except that with the explosion of the first hydrogen bomb. Mercury had a fantastic antenna parameters, they are allowed to receive signals from the transmitters arbitrarily low power to arbitrarily large distances. In tests of the received signals of American radio telephones, TV shows from London, bugs in the residence of Fidel Castro, and was made a lot of

incomprehensible signals, presumably - from distant galaxies.

The use of such antennas as transmission has ended in failure: when you connect the Army radio stations such as "P-113" ("pomegranate") in the most low-power mode in a radius of two kilometers evaporated all metal objects that are a multiple of the wavelength. Those items that have not been put in resonance with the frequency of the transmitted, heated to very high temperatures. All landfill staff had gone mad and wild animals have disappeared from the surrounding forests forever. Such a high gain is due to processes occurring in mercury antenna, which is very similar to the operation of the laser emitter in the optical range.

Mercury antenna since the secret services are used solely as a foster to obtain relevant information and to detect stealth aircraft. Such antennas are used in the UFO to communicate with the base ships (for communication with their galaxies used methods more effective than radio waves, they can be read on the Internet).

What is the MERCURIAL ANTENNA

Many readers probably have tried to produce a mercury antenna yourself. Typically the construction of such an antenna is a kind of a reservoir filled with mercury. As a rule, this dish does not take anything, but on the contrary, weakens the radio. The secret is that you need to use not ordinary, and "red" mercury! Information about this strategic material has leaked to the press. The very design of the antenna is held still a closely guarded secret (by the way, has not stolen American spies).

The more dangerous the mercury ANTENNA

Many people probably paid attention to white balls that are installed on the roofs of some of the "skyscrapers". In some of them (in some unknown) installed just mercury antenna. As discussed above, such an antenna has an ultra-high gain and capable of re-emit radio waves at frequencies close to its resonant frequency. Many have noticed the effect of operation of automotive radar detectors, the approach to these buildings. Antiradar triggered its spurious emissions, adopted and repeatedly increased mercury antenna. Danger mercury antennas is as follows:

1. random lightning strikes to the antenna (or near) the amplified signal at twice the electromagnetic pulse from a nuclear explosion. The consequences of such an action pulse is widely described in the literature.

2. Strengthening and re-radiation of low power signals. Do not use

near such antennas cordless phones and microwave ovens, as their tiny radiation magnified located near the antenna and mercury adversely affects the health of others.

How to protect yourself?

First of all get rid of all metal objects whose dimensions are equal to or a multiple of 3 cm (this is usually the resonance wavelength of mercury antennas). Remember that the best conductor of electricity subject to the higher temperature it will heat up when an electromagnetic pulse. The most dangerous items: gold watches, gold jewelery, silver cutlery. In second place on the degree of danger are the product of copper and aluminum. Less dangerous objects made of iron, and not dangerous products from plastic and other non-conductive materials. Good (almost 100%) effect makes use of absorbing devices of the conventional mercury (it is the opposite in electrical properties of the substance).

Source: Materials World Wide Web. (TSETV St.-Petersburg and Leningrad region St. Petersburg. "VKontakte" group via RusDX Aug 28 via DXLD)

PROPAGATION
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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity 22 - 28 August 2016

Solar activity was at very low levels the majority of the period with low levels reached on 28 August due to an isolated C1/Sf flare at 28/2128 UTC from Region 2583 (N13, L=023, class/area Dao/030 on 28 Aug). Regions 2579 (N12, L=034, class/area Dao/090 on 23 Aug) and 2581 (N12, L=337, class/area Cao/110 on 28 Aug) were the largest spot groups on the visible disk, but were in a decay phase as of 24 and 28 August, respectively. No Earth-directed coronal mass ejections were observed during the period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal levels on 22 August, moderate levels on 23-24 August, and

high levels from 25-28 August. The maximum flux reached 2,334 pfu at 27/1705 UTC.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to G1-minor storm levels during the period. The beginning of the period, solar wind conditions were nominal with solar wind speeds between 350 km/s and 420 km/s. The geomagnetic field was at quiet levels on 22 August. By 23 August, total field increased to around 14 nT with the solar wind speed increasing to around 550 km/s as a negative polarity coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) moved into geoeffective position. By midday on 24 August, total field had decreased to near 5 nT, however solar wind speeds remained elevated until late on 25 August when they began to decline. The geomagnetic field responded with quiet to G1-minor storm levels on 23-24 August, followed by quiet to unsettled conditions on 25-27 August. Quiet conditions were observed on 28 August under a nominal solar wind environment.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 29 AUGUST-24 SEPTEMBER 2016

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels throughout the period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels with high levels expected on 31 August-12 September and again from 21-24 September due to recurrent CH HSS activity.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at unsettled to active levels on 29 August-08 September, 13-14 September, 17 September, and 19-21 September with G1-minor storm levels likely on 29-30 August due to recurrent CH HSS activity.

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27-day Space Weather Outlook Table
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# UTC Date	Radio Flux 10.7 cm	Planetary A Index	Largest Kp Index
2016 Aug 29	85	20	5
2016 Aug 30	82	18	5

2016 Aug 31	82	10	3
2016 Sep 01	85	15	4
2016 Sep 02	85	12	4
2016 Sep 03	80	10	3
2016 Sep 04	80	8	3
2016 Sep 05	78	15	4
2016 Sep 06	78	15	4
2016 Sep 07	78	8	3
2016 Sep 08	78	10	3
2016 Sep 09	78	5	2
2016 Sep 10	78	5	2
2016 Sep 11	80	5	2
2016 Sep 12	82	5	2
2016 Sep 13	82	10	3
2016 Sep 14	82	8	3
2016 Sep 15	82	5	2
2016 Sep 16	82	5	2
2016 Sep 17	80	8	3
2016 Sep 18	80	5	2
2016 Sep 19	80	15	4
2016 Sep 20	80	12	4
2016 Sep 21	80	8	3
2016 Sep 22	82	5	2
2016 Sep 23	85	5	2
2016 Sep 24	85	5	2

(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1841, DXLD)

GLENN`S PROPAGATION OUTLOOK FOR MEDIA NETWORK PLUS AS OF SEPT 1, 2016

From IPS in Australia, the global HF propagation forecast thru September 3: normal at low and middle latitudes; normal to fair at high latitudes. Mild depression in MUFs and degradations in HF conditions may be observed due to minor geomagnetic activity.

From Spaceweather South Africa thru September 3: magnetic conditions unsettled, SW fadeouts unlikely, MUF unstable.

From Met Office UK thru September 4, solar activity low, a slight chance of flares and blackouts. A chance of minor storm intervals on September 2 and 3.

From Petr Kolman in Prague, the geomagnetic field will be:
quiet to unsettled on September 2 - 3, 6 - 8, 12, 17
quiet to active on September 4 - 5, 13, 19 - 21
mostly quiet on September 9 - 11, 14 - 16, 18

From SWPC in Boulder: Geomagnetic field unsettled to active until September 8, also 13-14, 17, 19-21 with A and K indices peaking at 15

and 4. Lowest A`s and K`s of 5 and 2 on September 9-12, 15, 16, 18, 22 to 24. Solar flux dropping from 85 September 2, to 78, September 5-10, back up to 85 by September 23.

William Hepburn`s VHF/UHF/microwave DX maps show extreme tropospheric ducting: all week off Baja California; between South Africa and Madagascar, and across parts of the Mediterranean thru September 4; from eastern to mid North Atlantic until September 5; around most of the Arabian peninsula all week (via DXLD)

TIPS FOR RATIONAL LIVING
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Re 16-34, "...`Our Daily Bread` bit somehow connecting Disneyland with their religion."

-- Glenn, Ironic, since Disney itself takes on a form of "religion", among those wearied consumers who indeed worship all things Disney (including certain members of my own family). These are the ones whom we see spend the entire childhoods of their offspring visiting Disneyland, Disney World and any or all other Disney attractions, in lieu of sampling genuine choices such as historical monuments and true cultural instances, not mass-manufactured Disney crap. The undue influence extends even into parts of the USA's network of civil courts: how often do we hear of successful civil actions against the Almighty Disney? (Answer: it's pretty damn rare!) Perhaps we'll see some kind of ecumenical merging between Christianity and Disneyanity on the horizon??... ñ (GREG HARDISON, CA, DX LISTENING DIGEST) ###